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Truman Cites Hope Next Year Will Bring Lasting World Peace

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—President Truman set aglow tonight the lights of Christmas and sounded the hope that 1947 may bring a lasting peace.

As dusk settled across the national capital, the Chief Executive walked across the south lawn of the White House to a towering evergreen, turned on the lights of a national Christmas tree and sent a holiday message to his fellow countrymen by radio.

"We have made a good start toward peace in the world," he said, "ahead of us lies the larger task of making the peace secure."

"The progress we have made gives hope that in the coming year we shall reach our goal. May 1947 entitle us to the benediction of the master:

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God."

"Because of what we have achieved for peace, because of all the promise the future holds, I say to all my countrymen: Merry Christmas!

"Merry Christmas, and may God bless you all!"

Mr. Truman's immediate audience was a group of dignitaries with ordinary folk looking on. He had a special, personal word of greeting for some honored guests—a group —of disabled veterans.

But to the nation and the world, his message was an expression of hope that the unity which forged victory for Allied arms in the war will lead the way to "enduring peace" in the year ahead.

He said that the problems are great—great enough to "overwhelm faint hearts"—and he admitted that "all is not harmony" today in a world in which men find "it easier to die together on the field of battle than it is for them to live together at home in peace."

It is with the United Nations, Mr. Truman declared that the world's hope for peace lies. And, he said, "as we continue to labor for an enduring peace through that great organization" it must be remember-

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SLASH ORDERED IN PROGRAM FOR VET HOMES

12,000 Units to Be Cut Because of Rising Costs Of Labor and Material

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—An official disclosed today that the Federal Public Housing administration has ordered a cutback of approximately 12,000 units in its program of temporary veterans housing because of rising material and labor costs.

An agency spokesman told a reporter that projects sponsored by scores of cities and colleges throughout the country would be effected.

This is the second major shrinkage of the program, which was planned early this year to provide 200,000 temporary dwelling units for veterans out of a $445,000,000 fund provided by two Congressional appropriations. This goal was exclusive of projects financed by municipalities and educational institutions to reconvert surplus government buildings, such as barracks, into housing units.

Last August FPHA reduced its goal to 188,000 units because of rising building costs. The second cut of 12,000 has been forced by decontrol of building material prices and wages, the agency spokesman said.

He added that instructions were sent to FPHA field officers recently to concentrate all available funds and facilities on projects at least 85 percent complete and to finish them as rapidly as possible.

The spokesman said this would mean that some projects for which funds were originally earmarked will not be started. In a few cases projects already started will be suspended perhaps to be finished later if funds hold out. In most instances,

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Pole Party Members Intimidated in Election, Is Charged

WARSAW, Dec. 24 (AP)—Vice Premier Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, leader of the Polish Peasant party (PSL) declared today Poland's secret police had embarked on a campaign of intimidation of PSL candidates in Gestapo style to force them to withdraw their names from parliamentary lists.

The vice premier charged in a news conference that many nominees were beaten and immersed in bitterly cold water, then imprisoned in damp cellars for days. He said they were released only upon agreeing to withdraw as candidates. Most of this, he said, occurred in the Silesian and Pomeranian provinces.

Mikolajczyk told correspondents that at Turek, near Lodz, 200 PSL members had been seized by the secret police, stripped of their clothing and confined three days in a windowless building and threatened with detention throughout the holidays. They were released upon giving up their PSL membership, he added.

The vice premier said a candidate named Troka was arrested at Starograd and was forced to keep

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Dogs Are Offered To Pickar Boys, But Not Poochie

Pottstown opened its heart yesterday in an attempt to give two little boys, Freddie and Larry Pickar, 40 East Fifth street, their Christmas wish.

Freddie and Larry lost their dog "Poochie" two weeks ago and their one wish for Christmas was to get him back.

Yesterday Mrs. Wilfred Pickar, mother of the two boys, said that she had been flooded with calls. Her husband checked on all that came in, but "Poochie" was not to be found. Many callers offered dogs to replace the one the little boys lost.

Meanwhile, Santa, to whom the boys wrote a letter asking for the return of their dog, had not been heard from up to early last night.

THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania and West Virginia Partly cloudy and slightly colder today.

47 High — Mercury Antics — 29 Low

TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were:

4 a. m.	33	2 p. m.	46
5 a. m.	32	3 p. m.	47
6 a. m.	31	4 p. m.	47
7 a. m.	30	5 p. m.	45
8 a. m.	29	6 p. m.	43
9 a. m.	30	7 p. m.	43
10 a. m.	34	8 p. m.	43
11 a. m.	39	9 p. m.	43
12 m.	42	10 p. m.	43
1 p. m.	44	11 p. m.	43

Happy It's Here!



—Mercury Staff Photo

Santa's little helper—or one of them—Pottstown Postman J. Elwood McCann, of Cold Springs Park, is relieved that the holiday has arrived. After carrying tons of Christmas cards and delivering innumerable packages of gifts, Mailman McCann sat down yesterday to wipe his brow and utter a prayer of relief. He would have taken off his shoes, too, he said, to ease his barking dogs, but it was too cold!

Talmadge's Son Faces Battle From Arnall Over Governorship

ATLANTA, Dec. 24 (AP)—Gov. Ellis Arnall moved today to balk the son of his old political foe, Eugene Talmadge, from taking over in January the governor's chair which his father would have assumed had not death intervened.

The 39-year-old Arnall announced he would remain in office until Lieutenan - Governor - Elect M. E. Thompson, 42, is sworn in and then vacate the gubernatorial post, leaving it to Thompson.

The announcement set up another bitter Georgia political battle in which the followers of "Old Gene" will seek to muster enough votes in the General Assembly which convenes Jan. 13 to have 33-year-old Herman Talmadge, a Navy officer in the war, declared governor.

The elder Talmadge won the Democratic primary nomination last July over James V. Carmichael, backed by Arnall, and former governor E. D. Rivers. He would have been inaugurated for a fourth term Jan. 14. Arnall defeated Talmadge in 1942.

Talmadge's death last Saturday was the first of a Georgia governor-elect prior to inauguration. The situation it created is not dealt with specifically in a new state constitution adopted in 1945 or the old constitution of 1877.

Herman Talmadge and others who followed his father to the political wars for 20 years withheld comment on the Arnall statement. House Speaker Roy V. Harris, one of the Talmadge advisors, announced, however, that campaign headquarters would be opened Thursday in a downtown hotel for the election of Herman by the legislature.

The legislative decision pitting the forces of Talmadge against those of the Arnall-Thompson faction concededly will find its way to the Supreme court. Arnall gave notice he would not relinquish the office to anyone but Thompson.

The initial showdown will come Jan. 13 when the General Assembly convenes. First order of business is the canvass at a joint session of the general election votes for governor.

Should the Talmadge forces control, they could declare a vacancy in the office and proceed with a vote on the two high men in a

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Weatherman Offers Good Holiday News

If you're heading over the hill and across the river to Grandma's house for Christmas you'll have a mighty fine day for it.

Although a mite colder than yesterday, today is going to be fair and comparatively mild for the holiday.

Yesterday afternoon the weather bureau dismissed even the slightest possiblity of snow. The warm air mass in the area will remain at least through today, although a slight drop in temperature may be expected.

The temperature was down to 29 degrees at 8 o'clock yesterday morning, but it rose sharply after that reaching a high of 47 degrees at 3 p. m.

At 5 o'clock the nightly recession set in, but it was not a sharp one, and gave every indication of above-average temperatures today.

Fire Can Mar Yuletide, Is Lindauer Warning

Fire Chief Richard E. Lindauer yesterday reiterated warnings to residents to be careful so that fires will not mar the Christmas Day celebration. Lindauer even included Santa Claus' whiskers as a fire hazard.

Special care, said Lindauer, should be taken at candlelight services especially where processionals are planned.

Nazi 'Axis Sally' Is Released From Prison in Germany

FRANKFURT, Germany, Dec. 24 (AP)—U. S. Army officials disclosed in a Christmas Eve announcement today that Mildred Gillars, whom they identified as a honey-voiced "Axis Sally" of the Berlin radio, was among three American broadcasters released from an Army prison.

The other two, who also were frequently heard over the German radio during the war, were Minnesota-born Herbert Burgman and Donald Day, former Chicago Tribune correspondent.

No charges are pending against any of the three, Army officials said, and it is up to the Department of Justice to decide whether they will be prosecuted. The only restriction on their release was that they report regularly to the Army intelligence branch.

Army officials emphasized that the original detention of the three was ordered by the Department of Justice and that the department also authorized the release. It was not known here whether the three

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No Holiday Letup In Hunt for Slayer

"There will be no abatement in the search for the killer of Miriam Green over the holidays," Chief of Police James A. Laughead declared yesterday. "We are continuing to push the investigation as far as we can, and I shall hold myself available in the event of a sudden break."

Laughead made his statement as county and local police continued to search for a clue to the ownership of the blue scarf used to strangle Mrs. Green.

Bundles of circulars to retail outlets competed with the Christmas mail as authorities attempted to place a diagram and description of the scarf before as many sources of information as possible.

It was felt that the very clear picture of the murder weapon which appeared in The Mercury yesterday might lead to a possible identification by someone in Pottstown who recalled seeing either the dead woman or some other person wearing such a scarf.

Good Wills' Generosity To Cheer Family of Five

A mother and her four small children residing in Stowe will enjoy a Christmas dinner today through the generosity of a group of members of the Good Will Fire company, Assistant Fire Chief Robert Roth took up a collection and as a result a lot of groceries were taken to the Stowe home yesterday afternoon. Among the articles taken to the house was a whole ham.

Biggest Wish of Blind Father Comes True as Son Gains Vision

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 24 (AP)—There were two eyes to see and sparkle when Christmas tree lights flashed on at the James A. Richardson home this evening.

Richardson is blind and his wife nearly so, but surgery had given sight to their three-year-old son, Paul, and when the lights came on he dropped his new toys and ran to caress them gingerly.

"Just touch easy," he said again and again, completely absorbed in the beauty of the first Christmas tree he had ever seen. Cataracts had robbed him of his vision at birth and it took seven delicate operations to bring forth today's wondrous climax.

"This is something I've been waiting for," the father said. "This is something I'd like to see."

Richardson, 38, has been blind since infancy. He runs a cigar stand at the Dallas terminal post office, gets around the city alone on buses without trouble, and once held his own as a student at Southern Methodist university.

He met his wife while they were both attending the Texas School for the Blind at Austin. Her vision is almost gone as the result of cataracts. For her there was not the miraculous surgery that brought the glowing, colored lights to her son.

"I want the white one," the boy said, kneeling and pointing. "Oh,

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POPE APPEALS FOR EFFORTS TO SPEED PEACE

'New Conflicts' Threatening Europe, Pontiff Says in Address to Sacred College

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 24 (AP)—Pope Pius XII, declaring that Europe even now was in danger of "the flames of new conflicts," appealed today to the world's statesmen to conclude with all possible speed a stable peace which could "save the world from incalculable shocks and disorders."

The Pontiff, addressing resident members of the Sacred College of Cardinals in this second Christmas Eve since the end of World War II, said that the Atlantic Charter in some countries today seemed only a counterfeit of what was intended by its promulgators.

But he saw hope for mankind in the development of weapons of mass destruction. Without mentioning the atom bomb or any other such weapon specifically, the Pope said this new factor, "the might of new instruments of destruction," had brought the need for international agreement sharply into focus.

Obviously referring to the recent disarmament resolution of the United Nations General assembly in New York, the Pontiff said:

"This factor has brought the problem of disarmament into the center of international discussions, under completely new aspects, and provides an incentive that was never felt before: Thence springs hope of solving what past generations have longed for in vain."

With little preamble, the Pontiff plunged into the world's most pressing problems soon after Gennaro Cardinal Granito Pignatelli di Belmonte, 95-year-old dean of the Sacred college, presented him with the cardinals' Chritmas greetings.

"Let the new year see the peace a reality," Pope Pius begged the world's statesmen, pleading that indefinite prolongation of an abnormal state of instability "is the clear symptom of an evil which constitutes the sad characteristic of our age."

"When for the first time the Atlantic Charter was announced, the whole world listened," he said. "At last one could breathe freely, but what remains of that message and its provisions?

"Even in some of those states which, either through free choice or under the aegis of other great powers, love to appear to the world of today as the standard-bearers of new and true progress, the four liberties recently hailed with enthusiasm by many now seem only a shadow or counterfeit of what was in the mind and intentions of the most loyal of their promulgators."

"We most willingly recognize the untiring efforts of outstanding statesmen who for a year or so, in series of almost uninterrupted and toilsome conferences have labored to bring about what honest men the world over ardently long for and desire.

"But, alas, differences of opinion, mutual distrust and suspicion and the doubtful value in fact and in

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Banks to Propose Closing Measure

The committee on legislation of the Pennsylvania Bankers association will propose a bill to the State legislature in January favoring mandatory Saturday closings from May 1 to Sept. 30 every year, with Saturday closings for the remainder of the year permissible for those banks who wish to close, it was announced yesterday.

A questionnaire had been sent out previously to determine the response of member banks of the association to the proposal to have mandatory Saturday closings.

The opinions of the Pottstown banks were sharply divided at that time, with two banks for the year round mandatory measure, one against it, and the other not voting.

The 953 member banks of the association were eligible to vote on the closing, but only 765 responses were received. Of the 765, 241 voted for mandatory closings from May to September, inclusive and permissive the remainder of the year, while 228 voted for mandatory closings for the entire 12 months.

As a result of the poll, the association will make its recommendations to the State banking committee for the mandatory Summer closings when the legislature convenes.

Fire Causes $50 Damage To Motor Truck in Stowe

Damage estimated by firemen at $.0 was caused at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon on Berks street, Stowe, when fire damaged a seat and the front portion of a truck owned by Jesse Baro, hauling contractor near Stowe. The blaze was caused by defective wiring.

The West End Fire company, Stowe, and the Good Will Fire company, this borough, responded to calls. Booster and chemical streams were used by the firemen.

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It's Christmas, Big Day For Kiddies, Adults Too

THOUSANDS of tiny voices shrilled a joyous welcome to Christmas this morning as their owners danced in excitement about the fragrant tree loaded with presents and goodies.

Last night, tucked in their beds, they dreamed of the new day and what it would bring. Of course they heard him when he came. Didn't they stir in their sleep when Santa and his eight tiny reindeer landed on their roof?

This morning, before the house was awake, they crept on silent feet to peek wide-eyed into the living room, and there it was—their own special tree and enough toys and presents to make the day a joyous one.

In the mellow, dim candlelight of the churches, with the first rosy tint of dawn shining in the East, hundreds of worshipers raised their glad voices in welcome to Christ the King.

Overhead the Star of Bethlehem still shines, announcing as it did so long ago that the Christ Child was born in a manger.

Through a rift in the clouds, echoes of the angel's "Peace on the earth to men of good will" still linger for those who would hear.

After the services and the joyous opening of gifts by the children, young and old, mother will take over in her own special department.

Through the house, faintly at first, and then so strong that time will seem to stand still, the smell of turkey, browning in the pan, candied sweets, and the tang of the Christmas pudding, will creep.

It will be a day of feasting and fun for everyone.

When it is over tonight, and memories of the day are flooding through everyone's mind, prayers will be offered that each succeeding Christmas will be as joyous and as peaceful as this one.

U. S. Recognizes the Legality Of Soviet Control Over Dairen

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—The United States tacitly recognized the legality of continued Soviet military control of the Chinese port of Dairen today. Also, a State department spokesman said the Russians acted legally in ordering an American naval vessel to leave Dairen after its authorized 48-hour stay had expired.

Refusal of the Soviet authorities at Dairen to admit an American business and two newspapermen without prior clearance from Moscow also was upheld by the State department.

The American view was disclosed at a news conference at the State department by Press Officer Lincoln White. He first issued a brief statement substantially confirming a news account of the Dairen incidents of last Friday originally reported by William H. Newton, an American correspondent, in a dispatch published in this country yesterday.

Newton declared that the naval vessel which had called at Dairen with supplies and mail for the American consul general had left the port after receiving a verbal ultimatum from Russian military authorities that if it did not get out within 20 minutes "we will not be responsible for the consequences."

White said that initial information received here through official channels was somewhat garbled in transmission and he could not confirm the specific point of a 20-minute ultimatum.

However, the statement which he issued declared that after Consul General H. Merrell Benninghoff had failed to gain admittance for the three American civilians, "the ship left two hours after its legal 48-hour stay had expired."

Asked specifically whether the Russians were within their rights in handling the situation as they had, White replied, "yes, legally the Russians were within their rights."

Asked whether their military occupation of Dairen is proper, the statement which he issued had this to say:

"Dairen, under the terms of the Sino-Soviet treaty of August, 1945, is to be a free commercial port under Chinese administration, but the Soviet and Chinese governments have not yet made arrangements for the assumption of Chinese control.

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Christmas Edition Goes to Press Early

This holiday issue of The Mercury went to press early Christmas Eve.

The business office of The Mercury will be closed all day today. The editorial department will open at 5 p. m. today.

CHINESE RESENT REDS AT DAIREN

General Feeling Treaty Dealing With Port Was Forced on China in '45

By SPENCER MOOSA

SHANGHAI, Dec. 24 (AP) — A strong cautiously repressed resentment prevails among Chinese over Russian military control of the big Manchurian port of Dairen, so complete that an American navy ship was reported ordered out on 20 minutes notice Friday.

There is a general feeling among the Chinese the Sino-Soviet treaty, dealing with Dairen, was forced upon China in 1945 at a time when the Allies seemed convinced Japan might fight two years more on the Asiatic mainland, thus envisioning an American invasion and the need of Russian help.

(In a delayed dispatch sent Friday from the withdrawing American ship off Dairen, William H. Newton, Scripps Howard reporter, reported ascertaining from undisclosed sources that Russia intended using a technical definition in that treaty to stay on at Dairen until after the peace treaty is signed with Japan.

(Newton, representing the Combined American Press, said one clause provides that Darien shall become exempt from military control "in peacetime" but the Russians take the position that Russia and China remain at war with Japan until a peace treaty is signed.)

The Chinese obviously would like to see provisions of the treaty scrapped but no one in authority will be quoted on the subject for fear of straining Sino-Soviet relations.

In Nanking, the news that the American vessel, LC-3 1090, which was on a routine courier mission, had been ordered out, elicted no official surprise because Chinese naval vessels have been unable even to enter that port. Chinese pointed out this disbarment persists despite the fact the 16-months old treaty provides Dairen shall be jointly administered by Chinese and Russian authorities.

For some time now, soldiers of the Chinese Nationalist government have been halted within a 15-mile radius of Dairen after pushing to that point against Chinese Communist resistance. When the government troops reached those points, reports became current they

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Old-Timers, Feted by Legion, Swap Tales of 'Way Back When'

Two old soldiers, Richard Wilson and Harry Anderson, both members of the American Legion post here, were given a party yesterday afternoon at the Legion home by their friends.

The two old-timers, both overseas veterans of the first World War, relaxed under the influence of good refreshments and the warm comradeship of other veterans of another day and spun yarns of their former gun-toting days as old soldiers are wont to do.

In addition to the abundant refreshments, they were each given presents by the guests and both made small speeches.

Wilson, with three discharges to his credit, leaned back in his chair, gazed reflectively out the window, and gave a few excerpts from his varied service record.

It appeared that he sailed around the world with the U.S. Navy in 1906 when Teddy Roosevelt sent it on that famous mission to establish the Navy in the eyes of the world. He was on the U.S.S. Kansas.

Then came World War I and he was told that he was too old to re-enlist so he joined the Canadian Army. He was discharged after one enlistment, he reminisced, and then signed on for another.

He went through the Ypres offensive and was wounded three times. He recalled that the Cana-

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EUROPE'S HOPES BRIGHTER ON THIS CHRISTMAS DAY

By ALVIN STEINKOPF

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP)—Europe's war-weary millions celebrated tonight their most cheerful Christmas Eve in eight years, amid some faint indications of better times to come.

Timid hopes for the future penetrated and despair engendered by the cold and hunger still gripping the battered continent on the second Yuletide since the Nazi defeat.

In some favored lands, passed over lightly by the destructive forces of two world wars, there was food and fuel aplenty and traditional Christmas rejoicing.

The sun shone brightly in the Holy Land, where political factions, for the moment at least, were at peace. One of the largest crowds ever to gather at the little town of Bethlehem visited the scene of the Nativity to watch a colorful procession from historic Jaffa gate in Jerusalem to the ancient Church of the Nativity built over the site of the manger.

But in the wrecked cities and on the barren fields of Europe, wordly woes maintained an iron grip.

Low temperatures prevailed over most of the continent, and many homes were without fuel. To millions of families, the expected "white Christmas" meant only additional suffering from the cold.

Although there was no imminent danger of mass starvation, most of Europe was desperately hungry and could count at best on a frugal Christmas dinner.

Politically, the tension seemed to have eased and statesmen spoke hopefully of the recent achievement of the United Nations assembly and Foreign Ministers council.

From Rome, however, came an appeal by Pope Pius XII to statesmen of the world: "To draft an enduring peace and save Europe and the world from the "flames of new conflicts."

In most defeated countries, Christmas promised to be about as stern a day as any other.

But in Germany, the occupation armies—particularly the British and American — organized thousands of parties for children.

Groups of American and German children, riding through Berlin's icy streets on hay wagons, sang Christmas carols, and Germans and Americans worshipped together in churches.

There was a slight increase of rations to Germans. A typical menu in Munich restaurant offered pea soup, fried liver or sausage with

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The Mercury Readers Gave Liberally in '46 to Aid Needy

Readers of The Mercury spread their Christmas joy throughout the entire year of 1946.

Contributors to The Mercury Relief Fund brought aid to the burned-out, relief to the needy, food to the hungry to the tune of almost $1000 during the year.

Since January 1, The Relief Fund, which is administered by Capt. Meral Cox, of the Salvation Army, spent exactly $842.79 in relief. Some bills are outstanding, including those contracted the past week to clothe burned-out families. When those are paid, the year's relief expenditures are likely to reach $1000.

Largest bills were for clothing, and next in line came the expenditures for shoes. Many an underprivileged child was given new shoes or new

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ON THE MAIN DRAG

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HARRY YERGEY
—batting the breeze among the hoses.

ROBERT HOUSER
—back on the beat.

ISADORE STROM
—seeing an old acquaintance in different clothes.

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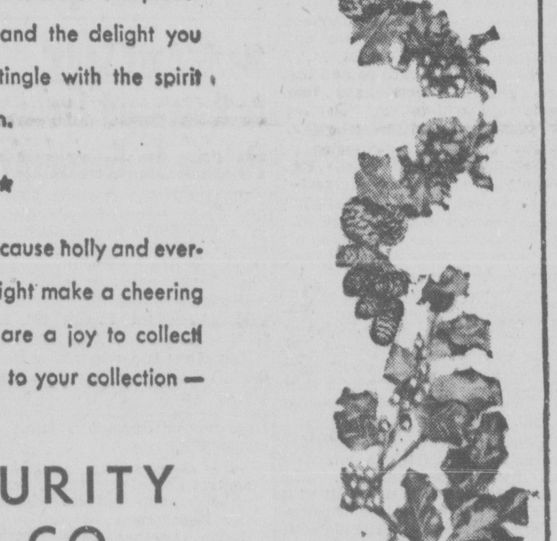


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TRUMAN CITES —

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ed that the world was not created in a day.

People may not hope in this day and generation for a new heaven and a new earth, he said, but may strive with "undaunted faith and courage" for some degree of the unity which brought the Allies a wartime victory.

Reciting the message of Bethlehem, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth, peace, good will toward men," the President said that it "best sums up our hopes tonight."

"If we as a nation, and the other nations of the world, will accept it," he said, "the Star of Faith will guide us into the place of peace as it did the shepherds on that day of Christ's birth long ago."

Most troubles, individual or national, spring from selfishness and greed, Mr. Truman declared. And through all the centuries, he said, history has vindicated the teaching of Christ that:

"Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them; for this is the law and the prophets."

For Mr. Truman personally, Christmas Eve was a day devoid of the usual routine of White House work. He had no appointments.

But during the morning he and several of his staff walked across the street to the State department to drop in at a small, private farewell party for Edwin L. Locke Jr. Locke has resigned as special assistant to the President to become vice president of the Chase National bank in New York.

Later, under a sun of almost Springlike warmth, the Chief Executive and a few of his close friends and associates motored to the Presidential yacht Williamsburg for lunch aboard ship.

Tomorrow, the President joins his family at their home in Independence, Mo., he arranged to fly out early tomorrow morning and return Thursday.

DARIEN PORT —

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Pending the conclusion of these arrangements, Dairen remains under Soviet militay control."

"It has been the hope of this government that the Chinese and Soviets would be able to work out these arrangements for a transfer of control, but we recognize that it is a matter to be handled by those two governments."

This point appeared equivalent to a declaration of a hands off attitude by the United States toward Dairen, at least for the time being, on the assumption that Moscow and Nanking eventually will work out arrangements in accordance with the terms of the treaty.

White said that the official information received by the State department was in the nature of a preliminary report. This left the way open for a further American declaration, should that be considered necessary, on the basis of later reports which might deal more clearly with the question of the so-called ultimatum.

The statement today declared that the naval vessel, the LC-3 1090, had gone to Dairen as a diplomatic couriership.

"The Soviet authorities," the State department said, "were notified in accordance with established routine and the vessel was granted the usual permission to stay in port 48 hours.

"The courier, Harris H. Ball, was allowed to transact his official business without hinddrance, having received prior clearance for authority to land, but clearance was not requested for the two newspaper correspondents and the American businessman."

When the vessel arrived at Dairen, the State department's account continued, Benninghoff "attempted to obtain clearance locally for Mr. Jessie Poole, the representative of the Standard Vacuum Oil company, and for Mr. Newton and a Life photographer."

"Mr. Benninghoff was unable to do so inasmuch as the local authorities at Darien stated they were unable to authorize the entrance of these people without clearance from Moscow. Having failed in his attempt to obtain clearance, the ship left two hours after its legal 48-hour stay had expired."

Vice-Fighting Mayor Receives New Threat

McKEESPORT, Dec. 24 (AP) — Charles A. Kinkaid, the city's vice-fighting mayor, tonight reported he had received a new threat against his life—less than 13 hours after a 2 a. m. deadline for his threatened assasination had passed without incident.

The mayor who has been leading a vigorous anti-vice drive, said the new threat came in a telephone call to his wife while he was attending a Christmas party of city employes. Mrs. Kinkaid said a "rough, male voice" told her "Well, his time is up."

Firemen Seek to Keep Newly-Born Child Alive

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 24 (AP) —A physician and members of the fire department worked for two hours beside a newly decorated Christmas tree today to save the life of a new born child.

Dr. D. M. Ferguson, said the baby, a boy, was not breathing when it was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Gilbert. He kept the child alive by breathing into its mouth until firemen arrived with a resuscitator and an iron lung.

Two hours later, Dr. Ferguson said, the baby began to breath by itself and it was taken to a hospital. The physician gave the child a fighting chance to live.

VETS' HOUSING —

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the cutback will means a reduction in the number of units to be included in a project.

Dillon S. Myer, FPHA commissioner, told a reporter recently that he did not plan to ask Congress for an extra appropriation for the program because he believed that any further funds should go into permanent housing. The agency spokesman said that even if Congress voluntarily appropriated more money, the funds could not become available in time to change the current policy.

The cut-back will affect only those projects on which Federal funds were committed. Under this program, funds have been disbursed—about half to municipalities and half to educational institutions—to build new temporary housing or convert surplus structures owned by the Federal government. The community or college agrees to furnish the site, utilities, streets and sidewalks and to manage the project after completion. Federal funds pay other costs.

Under another phase of the program the government simply turns over surplus buildings to communities or colleges without any direct expenditure of Federal funds. This program will not be affected and the FPHA spokesman said some projects formerly financed by the Federal government might now be completed by the city or school an the same basis.

Final or specific figures on the number of projects affected by the cut back are not available because field offices are still deciding which projects are to be completed, suspended or reduced. About 2000 federaly-financed projects are under way throughout the country.

The agency spokesman said protests against the cutback had been received from all over the country but that FPHA could not "incur obligation in excess of the funds appropriated by Congress."

News of the cutback in the temporary housing project coincided with the effective date of the administrations' new program for permanent housing, with a reduction in controls over the building industry, elimination of priorities and additional emphasis on construction of rental housing.

Beginning today no new priorities will be issued to home building although outstanding ones will be honored. Homes may be built without cost limitations but they will be held to 1500 square feet of floor space, which the government considers enough for a three-bedroom home, and to equipment for one bathroom.

Father Held in Assault In Yule Tree Argument

BALTIMORE, Dec. 24 (AP) — An argument over the sale of Christmas trees brought injury today to an eight-year-old Baltimore boy and charges of assault against his father, who went to jail on Christmas eve.

Patrolman Earl Barnes told Magistrate Henry B. Mann that he arrested John L. Walpole after Walpole's son was beaten for "holding back" money from street-corner sales of the trees.

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would be allowed to return to the United States.

(In Washington, a Justice department official told a reporter that the three will remain under observation and that no decision has been reached about prosecution. He declined comment on reasons for the releases.)

Miss Gillars, although informed that she was free, declined to leave the Army detention center at nearby Oberursel, Army officials said. They added that they could not explain her action. Miss Gillars was born in Portland, Me.

An intelligence officer said that the silver-haired, lissom Miss Gillars, 37, came to Germany in 1934 to study piano in Dresden. Thousands of doughboys recall broadcasts which sentimentally described life and comforts in the United States and called on U. S. troops to surrender.

Burgman, born in Hokah, Minn., April 17, 1896, broadcast on the programs "Station Debunk" and " The Voice of Free Americas," the intelligence spokesman said. He became a clerk in the U. S. embassy in Berlin in 1920. When American diplomats were evacuated from Germany at the entry of the U. S. into World War II, Burgman remained behind because of illness, the spokesman added.

Day, a news correspondent in the Baltic states from 1921 to 1942, refused orders from his newspapers to return home and ignored similar instructions from U. S. government agencies," the spokesman said.

In an interview, Day acknowledged broadcasting over the German radio but said his talks had "nothing to do with the Nazi propaganda ministry."

POLISH PARTY —

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his legs in cold water for three days. He became seriously ill and withdrew his candidacy, he said.

The vice premier said that, of a total of 854 PSL parliamentary candidates, 75 were now imprisoned and 49 names had been striken off the lists by election commissioners. He said that in western Poland peasants were being threatened by security police with dispossession from their farms and homes if they did not quit the PSL and vote for the government bloc.

Mikolajczyk said that in one district near Radom all but eight names out of 2000 PSL voters have been stricken off, apparently on charges that they were connected with underground bands. He said there was no basis for such action.

The government has generally been denying Mikolajczyk's accusations, contending that underground bands are beating and killing election officials.

The vice-premier estimated that 30,000 PSL members have been arrested. He said he could not say how many were still in prison, or had been released or rearrested.

Government spokesmen say PSL members are only being arrested when they are suspected of crimes or of being connected with underground bands.

WOMAN SEES YULE TREE

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (AP) — Mrs. Walter Davis, 35, saw her first Christmas tree in 18 years tonight. A chronic eye infection made her almost totally blind in 1928. Six months ago she saw for the first time the man she married.

Some codfish grow to a length of eight feet and a weight of 100 pounds.

Philadelphia Patrolman Killed by Own Revolver

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (AP)—A bullet heard at the precinct station from which he was assigned killed Patrolman Henry J. Kicks, 39-year-old father of six children today and started a Christmas eve police hunt for the slayers.

Police Captain Henry De Feo said Hicks was beaten and fatally shot with his own nightstick and service revolver. The captain added the slayers may have been two young men Hicks apparently had arrested for breaking milk bottles on doorsteps.

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write-in vote which was cast. These two are Herman Talmadge and Carmichael, who has announced he would not accept the office on the basis of a legislative election.

But if the Talmadge move failed, the Arnall-Thompson faction would be in position to call for a canvass of the votes for lieutenant-governor and the certification of Thompson to that office. Arnall then would resign in favor of Thompson.

In that event, Thompson could serve until a successor for the unexpired term—in this case two more years—was elected at the 1948 general election. Should Herman win out in the legislature and the courts he could be entitled to a full four-year term.

Citing a provision of the constitution fixing the term of a governor as four years and until his successor is chosen and qualified, Arnall said:

"Under this view, which I believe to be correct, I am constitutionally entitled to retain the office of governor for more years. I do not desire to extend my tenure of office through a technical legal argument."

He then told in detail of his plan to holdover until Thompson took the lieutenant governor's oath, asserting the people had said in the primary and general election that they wished Thompson to succeed to the governor's office "if for any reason the governor then elected was unable to serve."

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were prepared to enter after preliminary negotiations.

(In his Dairen dispatch, Newton said the Russians agreed to the original request for a 48-hour stay but when the ship remained two additional hours while the U. S. consul general sought permission for an American businessman to go ashore the Soviet ultimatum was the answer. Newton and Photographer Mark Kauffman, also failed to land. In Washington, a State department official said the Russians acted within their legal rights in refusing the three men admission.

(Newton said, however, he ascertained from neutral and Chinese sources that Dairen, under complete Russian military control, was a dismal city. He was informed that only three buildings in the city are heated; prices are wildly inflated; there is no free press; the only observable transport the Soviet army has is American lend-lease material; and every move the Russians make must be cleared first with the Kremlin.)

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justice of not a few decisions already taken or still to be taken, have made uncertain and fragile the strength and vitality of compromises and solutions based on force or political prestige, which leave deep down in many hearts delusion and discontent.

"Instead of advancing towards a real peace, people in vast territories of the globe and in large sections, especially, of Europe, are in a state of constant unrest from which there could arise sooner or later the flames of new conflicts."

The temporal head of the Roman Catholic church prefaced his words with the remark that he knew his words and intentions might "run the risk of being misinterpreted or even of being distorted for the scope of political propaganda," but said "the possibility of such erroneous or malicious comments could not seal our lips."

Declaring himself "profoundly impressed with the gravity of the present hour," he called upon the statesmen of the world:

1. To remove "dangerous international tensions" and direct all their energies and good will toward "putting an end to the present intolerable state of incertitude and to hasten as soon as possible the coming of a definite peace among all states."
2. To apply "all the forces of your mind and will to give to your work of peace the seal of the true justice, of far-seeing wisdom, of a sincere service to the common interests of the entire human family."
3. To guarantee more than a superficial stability in the peace to come by leaving the way open for adjustments in the future "according to a clearly determined proceedure, as soon as the majority of the peoples, the voice of reason and of equity show that those amendments are opportune and desirable or even called for."

"Certainly everything cannot be foreseen," he added, "but it is wise to leave the door open for future revisions and eventual adjustments."

LEGION PARTY —

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dian soldiers were wearing kilts at that time. "The Germans didn't know whether to kiss us or fight us," he chuckled, "so we just went through them."

Anderson, who went through two phases of the Meuse-Argonne operation with the 79th Division had no tales of kilts to tell but offered several salty accounts of operations in and around Flanders Fields.

The party started at 2 o'clock and when it broke up about an hour and a half later the air was still rich with Christmas spirit.

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let me have the white one."

The couple's other son, Robert Wayne, 17 months, drowsed in Richardson's lap. He has normal vision. "The prettiest eyes anyone ever had" his father said proudly.

"And now Paul will have a fine life, too," Richardson went on. "He'll learn to play the piano . . . that is, if he wants to . . . and he'll have everything he wants.

"You know it's a funny thing . . . growing up without vision I always wanted to see more than anything else in the world and I always thought [illegible] that way.

"But when [illegible]

EDUCATOR'S WIFE DIES

PALO ALTO, Calif., Dec. 24 (AP) —Mrs. Ray Lyman Wilbur, wife of the chancellor of Stanford university, died at her campus home today after a long illness. Surviving are the husband and five children.

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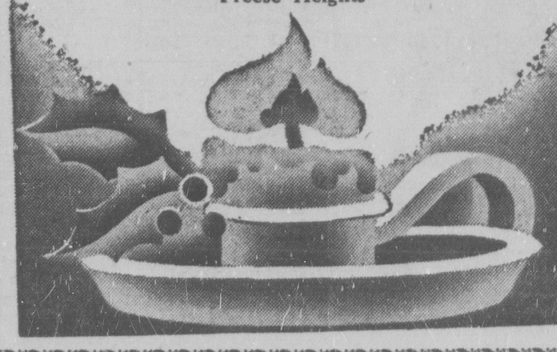
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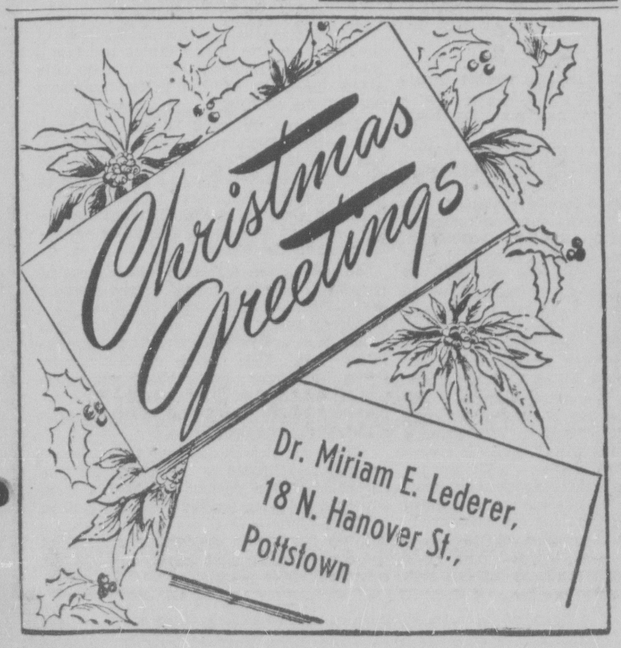

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Beware of prejudices. They are like rats, and men's minds traps; prejudices get in it is doubtful if they ever

The Christmas Story

THE CHRISTMAS STORY as told by St. Matthew, Chapter 2:

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,



Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.

And they said unto him, in Bethlehem of Judea; for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.

Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

And when they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasurers, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.



And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.

When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt.

And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt.

Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life.

And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel.

But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judea in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither: notwithstanding, being warned of God in a dream, he turned aside into the parts of Galilee:

And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.

Grampaw Oakley

PUNKIN CORNERS, December 24.

Editor, The Mercury,
Dear Sir 'n' Brother:

Wal, I see by the papers where science has produced a tiny radio receiving set about the size of a pin. Somehow or other, I don't get the point!



The American Kennel people, an item says, list more than 2,000,000 pedigreed pooches in this country. It's about time that neighbor's Pekingese got that old-school-type, exclusive-club look off his face!

And say: The Russian government is training 3000 "novice actors." How does one study to be an amateur?

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By MERCURY READERS

Sprinkler Systems for Hotels

To the Editor: In many hotel fires the big factor involved is the delayed fire alarm. Most fires that occur in buildings not protected by automatic sprinkler systems are not detected until they are too far advanced for first aid equipment (fire extinguishers, standpipes and hose lines). Further, first-aid equipment in hotels is rarely used. People awakened by fires ahead of night rarely stop to fight with extinguishers or hose lines. Their concern is to get out of the building.

A great majority of mercantile houses in all major cities are protected by automatic sprinkler systems. Statistics show that since 1897 automatic sprinklers have extinguished or held in check 96 percent of all fires that have occurred in sprinklered buildings. This information is from records of the National Board of Fire Underwriters and National Fire Protection Association.

I suggest that serious thought be given to the installation of automatic sprinkler systems in buildings in which the fire department considers it necessary.

Pottstown N. C. S.

Labor Needs New Methods

To the Editor: At various times labor plays with the idea of leadership in the social order through a labor party or labor-elected candidates.

Leadership means constructive action and a building up of the social fabric soundly and with benefit to all.

Leadership also comes through a continuous effort of good, through small acts or large which may be noted by the public. There is little such constructive possibilities in the ways of Lewis, the Oakland general strike, the Allis-Chalmer brawls.

Even though it is true the labor struggle is a hard one yet if labor has an eye on future leadership it will need to be somethings else than coldly mercenary.

Pottstown C. P.

Washington

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 — President Truman appears to be heading into another nasty patronage storm because of his mulish, Missouri loyalty to old pals of the Pendergast machine.

As it has in several key appointments—George E. Allen to RFC, James K. Vardaman to the Federal Reserve, Edwin G. Pauley as Navy Under Secretary—this otherwise admirable trait threatens to embarrass him again. The Republican Senate plans sharp scrutiny of all major nominations.

The new storm centers around the prospective selection of James V. Conran, a Pendergast lieutenant and a Truman vote-raiser in southern Missouri, as successor to U. S. District Attorney Harry Blanton at St. Louis. Conran is now prosecuting attorney for New Madrid county, but he is not regarded as particularly qualified for the more important post.

* * *

DEBT: His chief recommendation seems to be that, as a party leader in his section, he performed quite ably in helping to re-elect Mr. Truman to the Senate in 1940.

It was a bitter campaign, and Mr. Truman came through by an extremely narrow majority. Had he not been sent back to Washington through Conran's assistance, in part at least, he would not now sit in the White House.

Indeed, the general belief in Missouri is that the President is more eager to promote Conran than is even "Jim" Pendergast, the political boss on the spot. It is one of those debts which even a Chief Executive feels that he must discharge, and Mr. Truman outdoes the "village blacksmith" in owing not any man.

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OUSTING: The ousting of District Attorney Blanton at the expiration of his term may also have political repercussions damaging to the man in the White House. Blanton comes from a fine, old and politically powerful household in southern Missouri, and Father Blanton, a transplanted Virginian, has expressed his resentment and bitterness in the rural newspapers which he owns and publishes.

As a matter of fact, the son is destined for retirement because of severe criticism of White House patronage methods in the older Blanton's publications.

The D.A. was candidate for appointment to the federal bench, and he had a solid supporter in former Senator Bennett Clark, a close friend of the President. But Mr. Truman named his own man to the judgeship, thereby slighting and alienating the Blantons, father and son.

* * *

POLITICS: In view of this background, Senator Alexander Wiley of Chippewa Falls, Wis., who will head the Senate Judiciary Committee, is licking his partisan chops in anticipation of the Conran nomination. Wiley has already threatened to question all appointments to the federal judiciary and prosecuting staff.

He points out that F.D.R.'s long tenure enabled him to name approximately 90 percent of the federal judges and U. S. district attorneys and, between them, President Roosevelt and Truman have named every man on the Supreme Court.

Wiley also maintains that many of these jurists and prosecutors were selected for ideological or political purposes rather than for their judicial temperaments or legal attainments.

So, the scene is set for a row in which the G.O.P. showmen will try to depict the Chief Executive as "playing cheap politics" with the United States law enforcement establishment.

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INTERPRETING THE NEWS

The Colonial Riddle Still Is Unanswered

By JAMES D. WHITE
(Associated Press Staff Writer)

MEN DIED on Christmas day in Indo-China.

Reason—the postwar world hasn't yet found the answer to a riddle it neglected to solve before the war.

—How to give up your empire and keep it too.

This is not as cynical as it sounds, but a practical problem being faced as such by all colonial powers.

They have to give up their empires because the empires refuse to be kept any longer, cost too much on the old colonial basis, and are impossible to defend as the last war showed.

But they can't give them up, either, because war-ravaged economies both at home and "out there" might collapse if the old trade-and-preference ties were cut too suddenly.

The United States is the only power which has felt able to give a dependency outright postwar independence. But even as we set the Philippines free we ask that new republic to accord Americans some privileges which Filipinos don't enjoy here—this for continued U. S. aid.

Today's pattern for liberating the most restless Asiatic colonies follows Britain's pre-war conversion of the Caucasian portion of her empire into a commonwealth of self-governing nations.

Thus, Britain offers such autonomy to India and Burma, and may be leading up to the same thing for Malaya.

The Netherlands are making the most progress of all in applying this principle to Indonesia.

The French are running into serious trouble trying to do the same thing in Indo-China. At least three things mess up the picture, they include:

Shortcomings of French colonial administration; France's own wartime collapse and postwar confusion, and the bequest of hatred, guns and deserters Japan left behind among these and other colonial peoples.

History may show eventually that this Japanese factor is by far the greatest thing which has prompted roughly half of humanity to kick over the traces.

Perhaps few besides those who saw Japan's conquest from the inside can realize the potency of the yeast Japan planted in the colonial mix.

This yeast was the strictly phoney slogan of "Asia for the Asiatics" which Japan's warriors shouted as they overran the colonial world.

It was phoney on the record because the Japanese never demonstrated that they either could or would work the mix into anything but in "Asia for the Japanese."

But Japan's conquest showed up the weaknesses of the colonial system, humbled the white man publicly, and stirred colonials into frequently violent if confused action.

So while Japan lst her war of military conquest, history may be writing today that the war of ideas she never intended to win is winning itself.

The men dying in Indo-Chinese ambushes this Christmas serve a grim warning—half the human race needs immediate help and attention if this process the Japanese unleashed is not to grow into confluased and uncontrollable violence.

It could be the bloodiest in all history.

The Worry Clinic

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

FLORENCE G., 19, is engaged to be married soon.

"Frank and I have talked about running away to be married," she informed me confidentially. "It isn't that our parents object to our marriage, but Frank thinks it would save a lot of trouble and expense.

"He says we could drive over to the neighboring town and get the justice of the peace to perform the ceremony in a few minutes. But I have always wanted a church wedding.

"He tells me that I am silly. I realize it would be much more economical to run off for our wedding, but I still feel I'd like the other.

"Dr. Crane, am I just sentimental and childish, or can you give me some psychological reasons to support my wish for a religious ceremony?"

* * *

In the eyes of the state, matrimony is a civil contract, but it is really far more than a civil contract.

It should be a religious rite and ceremony of such a momentous and awe-inspiring sort that 24-hour drunken youngsters could not enter into it so abruptly.

These midnight carousing parties that waken a justice of the peace for a few ritualistic words in an environment of cuspidors and cigaret smoke, hiccoughs and profanity certainly are a disgrace to the main purpose of wedlock.

There is too much levity already in this country regarding the marriage vows, and incidentally, all other kinds of vows. We need to realize the psychological truth that a certain mood and spiritual attitude are needed for the proper consideration of all important decisions.

In our inventive and scientific progress we have left the horse and buggy days far behind, but as regards morality, honesty and other essentials for character we shall never advance beyond the ethical ideals of the past.

Marriage is an important event. It demands a certain amount of psychological, medical and emotional preparation. It should not be sandwiched in between the acts of a busy working day or riotous evening. And the honeymoon is not just an excuse for prolonged sexual orgies. It is a time for emotional and spiritual adaptation.

There is no better spot for the ceremony to be performed than in the beautiful moral environment of a church. And no better person can direct this inspiring ceremony than a priest, rabbi or minister.

Furthermore, it is very wise to encourage a reasonable amount of ceremony and ritual concerning this momentous event. The more important we make the ceremony, the less quickly will the couple entertain ideas of breaking their contract.

The latter principle is even more necessary regarding the feebleminded and borderline cases in society. The wedding dress, veil, church service, wedding march, bridesmaids, old shoes and rice form a part of the complex act of marriage.

And they have definite psychological value. The couple thereafter know that publicly they have plighted their troth. A write-up in the newspaper and possibly a picture of the bride accentuate this fact. They know they are married and everybody else knows it.

ONLY GOD CAN MAKE A TREE!



In Hollywood

By JIMMIE FIDLER

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 24—In our neighborhood there are two men whose relationship, one to the other, is well symbolized by the fact that they live on opposite sides of the street. I don't think I've ever known two human beings more exactly designed by nature to be diametrically opposed to one another on all issues. Naturally, since their first meeting, they've regarded one another with suspicion and dislike — but only for 364 days of the year. Christmas is the exception. On that day, they give way, despite themselves, before the spirit of the occasion, and greet one another with a "Merry Christmas." Last year, they amazed the rest of us by cordially shaking hands.

Watching them, I've often thought what a wonderful world this could be if only it were Christmas every day in the year. Now you and I, unless we're sour-pusses beyond compare, are vying with one another to be the first to voice a traditional yuletide greeting. We're wearing smiles instead of scowls, and behind our smiles, in almost every case, there is genuine kindliness toward all the "you's" in the universe.

It might sound silly, on a July Fourth, to meet the butcher, the baker and the candlesitck maker with an outspoken "Merry Christmas." But there would be no silliness in thinking it — with the same kind of sincerity that I now say "A very merry Christmas to you — and I do mean you."

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THE HOLLYWOOD PARADE: George Reed, historical exhibit. Mr. Reed, an 86-year-old Negro who has won the respect of Hollywood as an unusually fine character actor, was born in slavery on a Virginia plantation nearly six years before the Emancipation Proclamation . . . Clark Gable, most modest actor. In discussing his phenomenal success, Mr. Gable recently remarked: "I have no message to give the world, posses no artistic sensibilities, am not a great actor and never will be. All I am I owe to luck" . . . Paul Henreid, exponent of chivalry. Involved in a street fight with a rowdy, Mr. Henreid demonstrated one of the prime reasons for the "death of chivalry" by drawing himself up to his full height, folding his arms and offering his opponent the first punch.

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With his 135-pound Great Dane on leash, Lauritz Melchoir encountered, on an MGM set, orchestra leader Xavier Cugat, who held in his arms his pet pooch, a one-and one-half pound Chihuahua. Eyeing Melchoir's gigantic dog, Cugat said, "I'm worried because I can't put any weight on Tito. What should I feed him?" Answered Melchoir, appraising in his turn the Cugat pet, "I can only give you the benefit of my own experience. I feed my dog five pounds of raw meat every day!"

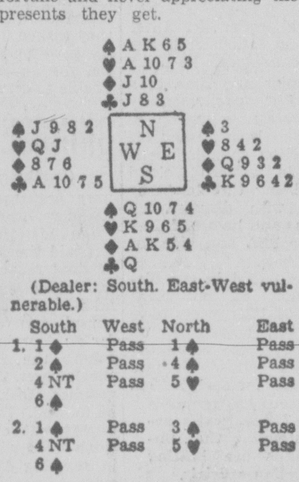
If Lana Turner failed to gift the assistant director on her current film, "Green Dolphin Street," with a Christmas remembrance, she's less susceptible to flattery than most Hollywood beauties. A few days before Christmas, when she came on the set, she found the director fuming because she had spent two full hours in the make-up department, and his assistant arguing in her behalf. "You must remember," he was urging, "that this is the scene in which she's just been beaten up by Indians. It takes a long time to make a girl like Lana look unattractive!"

Bridge

By SHEPARD BARCLAY

Appreciate Your Gifts

What do you say after you have made a score which is not due to any good work on your part? Especially if it results from some bad work by your side? Do you thank Santa Claus for the gift? Or the Fates, or whatever brought you those points? Doing that occasionally can help you to take bad luck which comes your way. But there are many players who reduce their pleasure from the game by recognizing only their ill fortune and never appreciating the presents they get.



(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable.)

South	West	North	East
1. 1 ♠	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
6 ♠			
2. 1 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
6 ♠			
3. 1 ♠	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	6 ♥	

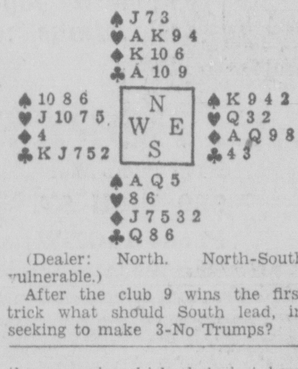
Looking at the North-south cards, you would unhesitatingly pick spades as a better trump suit than hearts, regardless of whether you were going for a slam or only for game. Yet the spade slam is impossible because of the way the defenders' five trumps are divided, since a trick must be lost in that suit plus one in clubs.

Where North got into the heart slam, however, he made it, due to the luck of the trump layout against him, so that the Q and J had to drop on the first two rounds. A spade loser was prevented by finessing the diamond J and later discarding a spade on the high diamonds.

The bidding shown was done in a social duplicate in which not all pairs bid the slam. The three pairs that did all declared they were using "the natural one-over-one approach system," yet all of them went about it differently. You may think you can standardize conventions, but you can't standardize human beings.

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Tomorrow's Problems

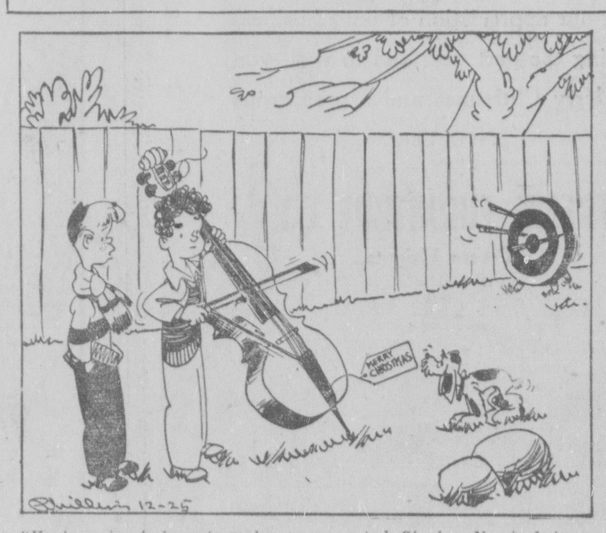


(Dealer: North. North-South vulnerable.)

After the club 9 wins the first trick what should South lead, in seeking to make 3-No Trumps?

Pottstown Sketches

By PHILLIPS



"You're going to have to make up your mind, Stephen Norris, between archery and music."

In Retrospect

50 Years Ago

December 25, 1896

READING ROOM OPEN—Pottstown's new free reading room in the Kulp building at High and Hanover streets was thrown open for the first time with Sgt. Isaac J. Decker in charge. A large number of people was attracted to the room for its opening. It was founded by Mrs. John Meigs.

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CHRISTMAS WEDDING — Miss Freadies Leiser became the bride of Franklin Bauer at a Christmas Day wedding. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. L. K. Evans, pastor of Trinity Reformed church.

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RECITAL PLANNED — A special organ recital was planned for January 1 to mark the tenth anniversary of the coming of A. W. Weiser as organist of Emmanuel Lutheran church. The church council is planning an elaborate program.

25 Years Ago

December 25, 1921

NEGRO ON RAMPAGE — A Negro went on a rampage and attempted to shoot up the home of Charles Fisher, Farmington avenue. Officer Paul Gumpert subdued the man with a blackjack after the Negro threatened to take the policeman's life.

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POSITION DECLINED — T. Darlington Buckwalter, former recorder of deeds, turned down an offer to be postmaster of Pottstown. Buckwalter was endorsed for the position by Charles Johnson, Republican leader of Montgomery county.

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TWO CHRISTMAS BIRTHS — Mr. and Mrs. E. Clyde Pike, 128 North York street, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Koch, 117½ King street, became the parents of baby girls born on Christmas day.

10 Years Ago

December 25, 1936

CHRISTMAS OBSERVED — Pottstonians observed Christmas by attending church services and feasting. Traffic was light as most persons spent the day in family reunions.

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WOMAN DIES — As trumpeters heralded the approach of Christmas in Emmanuel Lutheran church, Mrs. Olivia K. Hamilton, wife of Brooke Hamilton, 12 West Third street, suffered a fatal stroke of apoplexy. She died in the Pottstown hospital at 7:25 a. m.

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TROLLINGER BREAKS ARM — Wayne Trollinger, 313 North Evans street, was injured seriously when he fell from his automobile when the door suddenly opened near Douglassville. He broke an arm.

Voice of Broadway

By DOROTHY KILGALLEN

If I Were Santa Claus

I DON'T think I'd look my best in a fluffy white beard, and I'm much happier in a Broadway taxi than a reindeer sleigh. But still, whenever Christmas rolls around, I wish I were Santa Claus. What presents I'd stuff into famous stockings! What treasures I'd leave under celebrated trees!

Into President Truman's sock, I'd drop a player piano — one of those fine, old-fashioned jobs that hits all the right notes without half trying . . . For Artie Shaw, I'd leave a special kind of calendar —with shocking pink circles around all the days on which his alimony payments come due . . . I'd bring Lana Turner a one and only, instead of a here-today-gone-tomorrow romance . . . Barney Baruch would get a plush-seated, glass-enclosed park bench, with attached airplane motor for quick transferral to Lake Success, Washington and points west.

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On behalf of Rodgers and Hammerstein I'd see to it that at least three new States are added to the Union immediately, all of them with nice rhyme-able names . . . I'd put an electric refrigerator in Eugene O'Neill's argyles, so he can stop worrying about that Iceman, once and for all . . . And I'd hire a Fairy Godmother to turn every stenographer's blended muskrat into a wild mink . . . W. C. Fields would get a copy of "The Lost Weekend," autographed by Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin . . . And the small package I'd leave under John L. Lewis' fragrant pine would be a certificate for a six weeks' course in charm.

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What a Santa Claus I'd make! I'd whisk down from the North Pole with the mantle of Sarah Bernhardt for Ingrid Bergman — the coat fits . . . For Mayor O'Dwyer and Commissioner Wallander, an "E" medal for Effort, because those boys seem to mean what they say . . . Toots Shor would get a translation of Cicero's invectives against Cataline, because those insults are just as good today as they were in ancient Rome, and it might give the classic Crum Bum a few new ideas . . . I'd put television sets in all the hotel and apartment house elevators, so that all the little up-and-down chauffeurs won't be so bored in their movable cells . . . I'd turn all the boarded-up mansions into efficiency apartments for GIs . . . And I'd give all the rice in China to Tommy Manville because he can always use it.

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To the cute little models who like to go to parties, I'd give a list of all the "eligible bachelors" who are married, so they won't be taken in by Al Paris introductions . . . Out of my roomy sack I'd pull a batch of good roles for Clark Gable, Jimmy Stewart and Robert Montgomery, who fought a pretty good war—remember? . . . A new hat for Eddy Duchin, who is wearing a 1939 model. To prove his head isn't getting any bigger? . . . A season ticket to the Metropolitan opera for Margaret Truman—and maybe a magic cloak that would make her invisible to Secret Service men on romantic evenings . . . And for the schoolboy's hero, Joe DiMaggio, a bat. But a special kind of bat—one that will give Joe his old .387 batting average next season.

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I'd have such fun. I'd toss a Polish-English dictionary on Jan Kiepura's hearth, and Secretary Byrnes would get a pearl-inlaid chess set so he could practice strategy in his spare time . . . For James Mason's library, I'd provide a copy of Dale Carnegie's "How to Win Friends and Influence Americans." (Why is everybody made at that boy?) . . . My toy for Sinatra would be something he must want desperately—an old-fashioned fountain pen that would squirt ink on autograph-squealers who try to steal his bow ties. Maybe he'd give a lot, too, for a group of Spence school undergrads as his fan club

ALL AROUND THE TOWN

Around the World... At Christmas Time...

CHRISTMAS — Back in the dark ages our pagan ancestors staged great festivals about this time of the year to celebrate the lengthening of the days—which starts with the Winter solstice. There was abundant use of greens for decoration, such as holly, laurel and mistletoe. Then came the dawn of the Christian era and the pagan festivals took on a new meaning to a more enlightened people. In a manner it became the pattern for the religious celebration commemorating the birth of Christ. A century or two elapsed before much thought was given to the matter and the exact month and year of Christ's birth are not known for a certainty. Eventually, Dec. 25 was chosen. Some authorities say that in ancient Britain the 25th was regarded as the beginning of the new year, and it was observed in a festive manner.

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ONCE ABOLISHED—English Christmas celebrations were rife with jubilation until the reaction under Cromwell when the other extreme was reached, and gaiety was looked upon as sacriligeous. By an act of Parliament such festivities were abolished. This prejudice against the observance of Christmas in other than a solemn manner was brought to our country by the Pilgrims in 1620. Their first Christmas was spent on the Mayflower as it lay at anchor off Cape Cod, and they observed the day in a strictly religious manner.

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UNLAWFUL — Christmas celebrations in Massachusetts were made unlawful for more than 20 years after the arrival of the Pilgrims. Gradually that strict edict was overcome, but it was not until 1856 that Governor Nathaniel Banks removed the musty law from the archives and made a legal holiday of Dec. 25.

The Dutch, on the other hand, brought all their Christmas customs with them, even to the figure-head of St. Nicholas which was on the ship that carried them here. For days on end preparations for the festive season were underway in Dutch households, and the best of everything obtainable was none too good. Nor did they celebrate just one day.

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THE TREE — The Christmas tree—the Tannenbaum—was the all important feature of the German celebration. It was not unusual for a household to have several of them . . . Along with their other festivities, Norway, Sweden and Denmark have the pretty custom of putting out sheaves of grain for the birds, as well as giving extra rations to the animals and looking after their comfort in general . . . In Sweden, an old custom is that of the Lucia Bride. At Christmas time the youngest daughter of the household, crowned with lighted candles, serves food and drink to her family.

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TOVARICH — The Russian Christmas, before the 1917 revolution, was celebrated in a more serious manner. There was good cheer, but the religious significance was emphasized. France also celebrates in a quiet manner, although there is no mistaking the season should one chance to be visiting that country at this time of year . . . AND IN AMERICA — The late Lawrence Hutton once said: "Our Christmas carols appear to have come from the Holy Land itself; our Christmas trees from the East by way of Germany; our Santa Claus from Holland; our stockings hung in the chimney, from France or Belgium; our Christmas cards and verbal Christmas greetings, our Yule-logs, our boar's heads, our plum puddings and our mince pies from England."

YOUR HEALTH

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M. D.

MOST people have a rather vague idea that one climate may be "healthier" than another. Some vote for low-lying coastal regions, believing that the sea-air offers a sovereign remedy; others feel better in near-tropic climes, while still a third group prefers more bracing northern temperatures.

As a matter of fact, the normal person should be able to get along well in any of the great variety of climates the United States offers but for those on whom disease has left its mark, climate may indeed be an important health factor.

It has long been thought that children whose hearts have been damaged by rheumatic fever get along—better in a warm, equable climate. To find out just how much better, Drs. John J. Robinson, of Bethesda, Md., and James H. Currens, of Boston, Mass., made an exhaustive study of the whole subject.

Now, in many cases, rheumatic fever is a very serious disease for children. Besides producing pain and swelling of the joints in the acute stage, it often does permanent injury to the heart valves and muscles.

Though the exact cause of this heart-breaker is not known, attacks seem to follow sore threats, particularly those brought about by streptococcus germs. To make matters worse, no treatment has been found which will of a surety prevent the disease from recurring.

In their study, Drs. Robinson and Currens first considered the distribution of the disease in the United States and found that the rate in southern Florida is only about one-tenth of that in the northern part of the country.

Next they observed 88 children with rheumatic heart disease, who ranged in age from six to 16 years, and who were brought from the north to a warm climate in the south. They were treated by giving them plenty of rest, sufficient nourishing food and the drugs known as salicylates, when necessary.

In only seven instances did attacks of rheumatic fever recur and in six of these cases, the recurrence would not have been detected unless special tests had been made, such as one known as the sedimentation test. This test is carried out by determining how rapidly blood cells settle out of the blood in a small tube. One recurrence followed removal of the tonsils a month previously.

These physicians conclude that a warm or tropical climate is beneficial for the rheumatic fever patient but is far from curative. Moving patients from a cold to a warm climate is a preventive measure because fewer and milder recurrences of the disease mean that less damage to the heart will take place.

BOYERTOWN

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Servicemen Explain Scouting Advantages

The weekly meeting of the Gilbertsville Boy Scouts of troop 1 was featured by brief addresses by two former members of the troop, who are home on furlough. They were Richard Beiler, F 2/c, who is stationed at Brooklyn Navy Yard, who had been a Life Scout and Earl Seasholtz, ETM2, who is stationed at Washington, D. C.

Seasholtz was the first scout in the Gilbertsville troop to reach the rank of an Eagle Scout. The two addresses concerned the advantages of being a scout in the service.

The troop accepted the motto of the council, "Better Scouting for More Boys in 1947."

The scouts received calendars from the council and oranges from the troop.

Edmond Wells, neighborhood commissioner, was guest of the troop.

Roy Geiger, junior assistant scoutmaster, was in charge of the meeting. J. Russell Geiger Jr., scoutmaster, presided.

Yenan University in the Chinese Communist capital held classes in the open during World War II, often in zero weather. Students

Yule Parties Held In YMCA Rooms

Several parties were held in the YMCA rooms, which were decorated by a group including Mrs. Warren G. Grofe, Mrs. Russell Johns and Mrs. C. Budd Heisler, from the Women's club Conservation and Garden committee.

Henry Carichner, assistant YMCA secretary, and Samuel Weiss assisted.

Gray-Y boys held a party with Mrs. Earl Mecherly in charge. Gray-Y Girls, under supervision of Miss Edna Mecherly, will hold their party between Christmas and New Year's Eve.

At "Open House," Mrs. Mae Fisher accompanied the guests in carol singing from 7 to 7:30 o'clock after which refreshments were served. The YMCA rooms will be closed Christmas Day, in observance of the holiday.

MISS CONRAD TO WED

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Conrad, Boyertown RD 2 announced the engagement of their daughter, Pearl, to Rodney Schaeffer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schaeffer, Pine Forge. No date was set for the wedding.

BRIDGE OF GOLD

SYDNEY, Dec. 24 (AP) — The roadway of a 600-foot suspension bridge over the Brisbane river, Queensland, Australia, is probably one of the most expensive in the world. The concrete which covers the roadway was mixed with rich gold-bearing ore. This was not discovered until much of the work had been done.

Bacon drippings are good used for making spoon bread, corn bread and meat pie toppers.

Two Churches Plan Programs Tonight

The program of Young Peoples' and Adult Bible class of St. John's Lutheran church will be presented in the church tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

The Third Annual White Gift service with the offerings for Bethany Orphans' home will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the Good Shepherd Reformed church. There will be special music by members of the Main Department of the church school and the showing of a strip-film in color.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Bechtel, Boyertown RD 2 announced the engagement of their daughter, Betty, to Daniel H. Ziegler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ziegler, 9 East Third street, Pottstown. No date was set for the wedding.

To polish carved furniture, dip a small brush in polish and use on carved parts.

Boyertown Classified

Deaths 1

GEHRIS—At Huffs church on Saturday, Dec. 21, 1946 Frank, husband of the late Mary (Rader) Gehris, aged 79 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the service from the Schwenk Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown on Thursday at 2 p. m. Interment Huffs Church cemetery. Friends may call on Wednesday evening 7 to 9. (Schwenk)

DOTTERER—In Bechtelsville on Sunday, Dec. 22, 1946, Mamie G. (Haas) wife of Griffith Dotterer, aged 58 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from the Moyer Funeral Home, Bechtelsville, on Thursday at 1:30 p. m. Further service at Hill church. Interment Hill Church cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home on Wednesday 7 to 9 p. m. (Moyer))

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A HOT SURPRISE

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo., Dec. 24 (AP)—On a recent trip to Yellowstone National Park, the Rev. Philip Klass stopped at the Morning Glory pool and his thirsty Dalmation dog leaped from the car, plunged headlong into the clear blue water up to its shoulders and started lapping eagerly, before the astonished animal discovered the water was nearly boiling.

EUROPE'S HOPES —

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green salad, potatoes with beets, mixed vegetables and bread. But such a meal cost the maximum of three marks (30 cents) and coupons for an entire week's meat ration.

In contrast, the menu for many Americans in Germany was tomato juice, roast turkey with giblet gravy, mashed potatoes, candied yams, cranberry sauce, olives, asparagus, pickles, fruit salad, mince pie, cheese cake, hot rolls, butter, jam, cream, sugar, coffee and an ice.

Thousands of persons huddled together in Berlin's dreary "warming stations." Hospital admissions increased as the cold wave continued, and authorities expressed fear that there would be a sharp rise in the number of cases of respiratory diseases.

The United Kingdom prepared for every variety of weather—mostly unpleasant. Rain and snow were predicted.

Freezing temperatures prevailed in northern France, but the mercury was rising slightly. Snow and rain were expected.

In central and eastern Europe, Christmas was expected to be a chilly, gray, and largely cheerless day.

Protect that lovely corsage you have if you'd like to wear it the next day. Put it back in the florist's box after you have worn it. Sprinkle a few drops of water on it. Stretch some cellophane over the top of the box. Seal sides and ends with cellophane tape, so that no air can get in, and put the box in the refrigerator.

RELIEF FUND —

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rubbers. Coal and milk each had totals of more than $150.

The Mercury Relief Fund also spent $31.77 for medical expenses. In that total were funds for a serum which are believed to have saved the life of a Pottstown girl.

The main expenditures were as follows:

Clothing	$261.13
Shoes	203.58
Coal	161.85
Milk	153.23
Medicine	31.77
Food	20.00

Contributors to The Mercury Relief Fund may be happy to know that they spread much joy during the year. The many persons aided are grateful for the help, often have expressed their thanks to Captain Cox.

Brighten up your home by making attractive shades or curtains for the kitchen, playroom or bathroom out of flowered oilcloth in shades to match your room scheme.

LANCASTER LIVESTOCK

LANCASTER, Dec. 24 (AP)—Cattle, 98. Receipts well absorbed. Market slow but steady. Calves, 233. Light supply and unchanged. Hogs, 70. Market steady on good handy weights. Heavyweights and sows continued slow. Sheep, three. No lambs on market.

Gentlemen's Agreement; Sentence Is 5 Years

TOWSON, Md., Dec. 24 (AP)—Ordinarily, the sentencing of a criminal is a grim thing, but William R. Harris' third sendoff to the Maryland penitentiary was marked by all-around pleasantry.

Harris, a Negro, was convicted of theft and burglary after having encouraged the court thus: Judge, you've really got the goods on me this time, and there's nothing you can do but send me back."

Judge J. Howard Murphy agreed, giving Harris five years. "Give my regards to the warden," he said, and then, referring to Harris' job as Warden Patrick Brady's private chauffeur during his two previous sentences, concluded:

"I believe you'll like it over there, and I hope Mr. Brady gives you your old job back."

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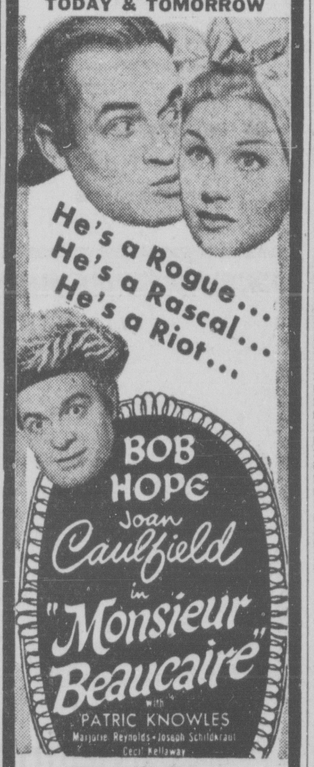
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JOY AND HAPPINESS TO YOU
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Season's greetings to all our friends. May this Christmas bring you unbounded joy — this New Year, the fulfillment of all your hopes.
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THE GLADDEST SEASON OF THE YEAR
OUR greeting to you at this season is for one of those Old-Fashioned Happy Christmases to which we add the hope that 1946 will bring you opportunity to accomplish and enjoy in no small measure. So again, "Happy Christmas."
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COAL — LUMBER — HARDWARE
BOYERTOWN—SCHWENKVILLE

The Eve of Christmas Comes Again
Its Tapers Shine From Hill and Plain;
And From All Hearts,
In Friendship True,
The Old Warm Greetings Speeds Anew.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

HELEN B. GOTTSHALL
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It's a Merry Christmas
We Are Wishing You
And Thanking You for Your Patronage

SCHANELY'S
Jewelry Store
Boyertown's Progressive Jeweler
49 East Philadelphia Ave. — BOYERTOWN

There's One Message That Bears Repeating
One Wish That Is Always New,
And That's the Friendly Greeting
That Brings Today — TO YOU!

MERRY CHRISTMAS

MONTG-BERK DAIRY CO., INC.
Third and Washington St.
— BOYERTOWN —



The musical bells of Christmas ring out in a toast to you for happiness, health and prosperity this Christmas and during the bright, new year to come.

The
RAINBOW ROOM
KEYSTONE FIRE CO.
BOYERTOWN

A Message to You at Christmas Time

In true appreciation of the patronage that you have extended to us in the past year let us express our wishes to you for a very

Merry Christmas

GILBERTSVILLE MOTOR CO.
R. K. MENSCH, PROP.

DeSoto Sales | *International Trucks and* | *Plymouth Service*

PHONE 454 OPEN EVENINGS

"Wishing All My Patrons and Friends —A— Merry Christmas

Howard S. Schanely
313 E. Third St.
BOYERTOWN
Distributor for
Maier's Baked Products
— READING —



HEARTFELT WISHES
for your happiness on Christmas

"DAN" BAUSE
BOYERTOWN

"MENSCH'S"

Wishes Their Friends and Patrons the Season's Greetings

MERRY CHRISTMAS

GILBERTSVILLE HOTEL
NEWTON MENSCH, Prop.



For every star in the sky we have a Christmas wish for you . . . wishes for happiness, health and prosperity everlasting.

Linwood Ott
Funeral Director
BOYERTOWN



THANK YOU
For Your Patronage
during the past year. It has been a real pleasure to serve you. We trust that purchases from this store have contributed to your Christmas joy.

WASHINGTON HOUSE
Bechtelsville



Greeting You at This Joyful Season With Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas

ERNST ALLMENDINGER
106 NORTH WASHINGTON STREET
BOYERTOWN, PA.



Wishing You All the Blessings of This Happy Christmas Season

WILLIAM REIFSNYDER JR.
"INSURANCE"
7 East Philadelphia Avenue, Boyertown



Old and Unoriginal as the Saying May Be, We're Wishing You a "MERRY CHRISTMAS"

CARVER'S DAIRY
BOYERTOWN 217-R

Compliments of the Season to All



Greenawald Shoe Store
43 East Philadelphia Avenue Boyertown, Pa.



TO WISH THE HAPPIEST KIND OF CHRISTMAS IS THE GREETING

From

IRVIN G. EISENHARD
Machinist — Electric and Gas Welding
Corner Second and Washington Sts.
BOYERTOWN



May your Christmas Day and New Year, too, be always as bright and shining as these gleaming, star-dusted candles—that's our wish for you.

BOYERTOWN
ORIOLES
NEST NO. 22



From

YERGER'S GROCERY

234 E. Phila. Ave.
Boyertown



May the Pleasant Memories of Christmas Remain Long After the Holiday Is Over

PAUL M. DOTTERER
"ESSO SERIVCE"
GAS — OIL — GREASING — CAR WASHING
S. READING AVE.
BOYERTOWN
BOROUGH LINE



The Season's Greetings and Best Wishes for the Coming Year

Trout's Texaco Station
GILBERTSVILLE, PA.



BEST CHRISTMAS WISHES AND GREETINGS FOR A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

BOYERTOWN MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.
50 East Philadelphia Avenue
— BOYERTOWN —

May you have good fellowship and cheer as you go your way, and the happiest possible Christmas Day!



SELECT SHOP
26 S. READING AVE.
BOYERTOWN



Greetings—Good Wishes and Friendly Remembrances—
Are All in This Christmas Message to YOU!

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BOYERTOWN CLOTHING FACTORY
B. MAIMON
Manufacturer's "Union Made" Men's Clothing
29 S. Franklin St. Boyertown

BOYERTOWN MERCHANTS EXTEND YULETIDE GREETINGS TO ALL

Wishing You
a Merry Christmas
and Just Heaps of Cheer

SMITH'S RADIO SHOP
ERNEST SMITH, Prop.
35 SOUTH READING AVENUE,
BOYERTOWN



BEST WISHES
for a
HAPPY CHRISTMAS

THAT'S OUR WISH TO YOU
Happy New Year, Too

THE LEGION ALLEYS
of BOYERTOWN



We take this opportunity to thank our friends and customers . . . May joy be theirs at all times.

BEN FRANKLIN STORE
BOYERTOWN



Patrons . . .
With Kindest Thoughts
and
Best Wishes for
The New Year
Thank You, Too!

H. F. TYSON & SON
237 S. Reading Ave.



A YEAR'S SUBSCRIPTION
will be a daily reminder of your **GOOD WISHES . . .**

To the boy away from home — training in camp or aboard ship: to the busy executive, housewife, and schoolboy or girl — your gift of a year's subscription to their favorite newspaper will mean daily repeated greetings from you — laden with interest and information.

MEST'S NEWS AGENCY
BOYERTOWN

Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year

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TROUT'S
PIONEER FOOD STORE
518 E. FOURTH ST., BOYERTOWN
"Birds Eye Frosted Foods"



We Extend to All the Merriest of Holiday Cheer

RITTER SERVICE FOOD MARKET
BOYERTOWN, PA.



Wishing You a Christmas of Many Happy Hours

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FREY'S Service Station
"Gas and Oil to Suit Every Car"
NEW BERLINVILLE



GREETINGS

May Every Good Wish Come True

WARREN W. JOHNSON
38 NORTH READING AVENUE
BOYERTOWN PHONE 435



AUGUSTUS D. GRESH
and
RUSSELL CLEMMER
SAY TO YOU on This Christmas Season

This Jolly, Gay Season
Provides a Good Reason
For Wishing You Happiness, Fun
and Good Cheer!
Here's Hoping You'll Fall In
To Fortune and Haul In
Just Grand Things for This Joyful

CHRISTMAS SEASON

BOYERTOWN OIL CO., INC.
GAS — OILS — FUEL OIL
TIRES . . . LUBRICANTS . . . BATTERIES
SOUTH READING AVENUE BOYERTOWN



GREETINGS

May the bells keep ringing a song of joy for everybody!

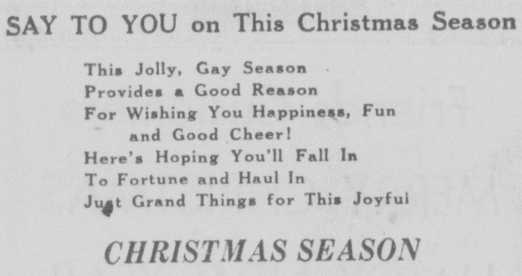
"BOB" BINDER
NEW BERLINVILLE
284-W



We're here again . . . to wish you the best of everything throughout the Christmas holiday and the New Year!

B.F. Goodrich Store
C. E. WHITE, Manager
100 East Philadelphia Avenue
BOYERTOWN :—: Phone 347





May Nothing Be Missing
To Give You Delight
And Make Christmas Happy
From Morning Till Night

ERB and HENRY
"Everything for the Farm"
NEW BERLINVILLE



Merry Christmas to You and Best Wishes for Happiness and Good Fortune

CLIFF'S DINER
and His Personnel



We Wish All Our Employes
Patrons and Everybody
The "MERRIEST" CHRISTMAS and HOLIDAY SEASON

RUSSELL H. GRIM
111 East Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown
Everything Electrical

Christmas has a very special and personal meaning for each of us — but we all unite in singing mighty praises to Him for the good things that have come to us.

In the jubilant mood of this Christmas season, we extend our fondest, cheeriest greeting to all our friends.

LeFEVRE BROS., INC. DEPARTMENT STORE
BOYERTOWN

May you have good fellowship and cheer as you go your way, and the happiest possible Christmas Day!



SEASON'S BEST

W-P LAUNDRY CO.

Chestnut and Charlotte Sts.

Phone 1663



from . . .

L. R. LEVENGOOD ESTATE

Third & Hanover Sts. Phone 513

YOUR CHECKERBOARD FEED and FARM SUPPLY STORE

THIS

XMAS DAY!

May All the Joys of the Season Come Trooping In Upon You!

MANSION HOUSE

HUGH WAGONER

High and Keim Sts.



Merry Christmas...

Happy New Year...

Customers and Friends

Pottstown Cement Block Co.



The candles burn no more warmly than the spirit of our wishes for your Christmas happiness. To all our many friends we say "A very Merry Christmas to you and yours."

G. E. Clouse

West High Street

Merry Christmas



Expressing Our Yuletide Greetings To Friends and Customers

THE BOYS' LINOLEUM STORE

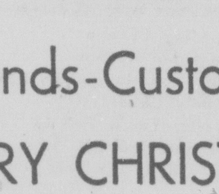
429 HIGH ST.

A Christmas Greeting

The joy of Christmas is upon the world radiating happiness to all hearts young and old. Let this Christmas be the brightest, merriest and most prosperous!

KING AUTO SUPPLY

Beech and Charlotte Pottstown



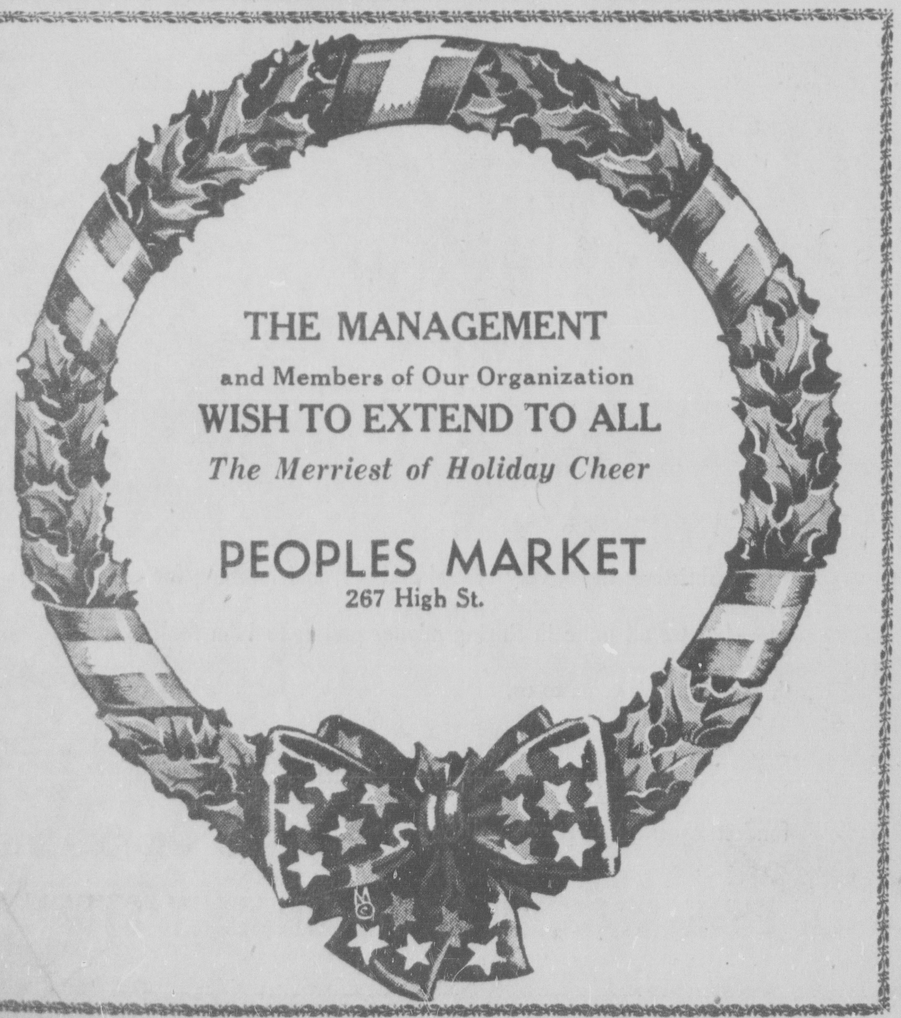
Friends-Customers

MERRY CHRISTMAS

HAPPY NEW YEAR

NOTTLE AUTO PARTS

416 CHESTNUT STREET



THE MANAGEMENT

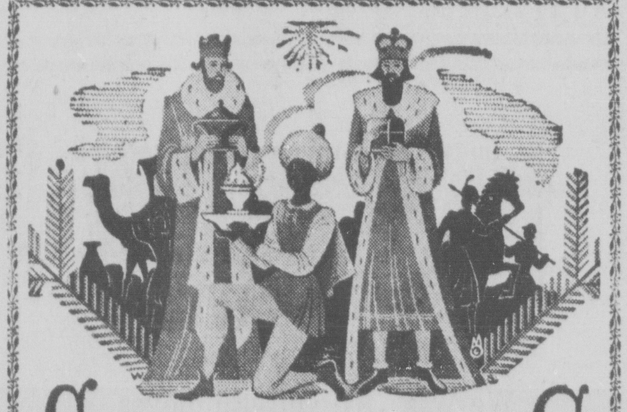
and Members of Our Organization

WISH TO EXTEND TO ALL

The Merriest of Holiday Cheer

PEOPLES MARKET

267 High St.



CHRISTMAS

It has been our Good Fortune to do business with the finest folks on earth and the spirit of the season brings renewed appreciation of old associations and the value of new friends. Here's wishing you the most joyous Christmas you may have and that the New Year will bring you and yours the fullest measure of happiness and prosperity.

JOHN ZANGRILLI

ELECTRICIAN

55 HIGH STREET



FROM THE BOTTOM of Our Hearts We Wish You and Yours A MERRY CHRISTMAS

For every star in the sky we have a Christmas wish for you . . . wishes for happiness, health and prosperity everlasting.



SUNNY SLOPE DAIRIES

7 STARS RESTAURANT

Christmas Greetings



Good old St. Nick is brnging your are message of unbounded joy this glorious Christmas

KIRKWOOD RESTAURANT

Pottstown-West Chester Pike

Phone Pughtown 2952

CLOSED ALL DAY CHRISTMAS DAY



MERRY CHRISTMAS

"TONY" SPATZIANI

449 High St.



Let this Christmas be a design for living. Best wishes and cheer.

OK SERVICE STATION

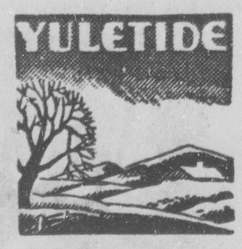
Charlotte & Jefferson Ave.



Here's to Your Merry Christmas and May It Be Such a Gay One, You'll Never Forget It!

FENSTERMACHER'S

Oak and Charlotte Sts.



GREETINGS

To Our CUSTOMERS and FRIENDS

May Joy And Health Be Yours Forever

Hartenstine's Grocery

660-662 Walnut St.

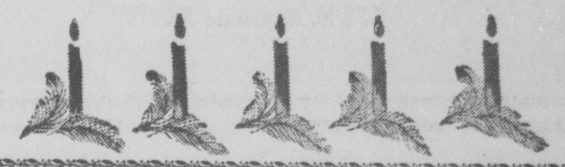
THE *Season's Greetings*



ALL GOOD WISHES—We are grateful for your patronage and wish you all success in return.

K AND P GROCERY STORES

509 High Street 323 N. Charlotte St.

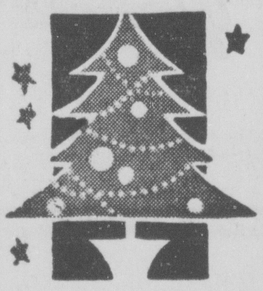




Just a simple note for our heartfelt wish to you for a happy Christmas.

SHANER'S DRY GOODS STORE

HIGH and PENN STS.



Merry Christmas to You All

May the Yuletide Season Be a Happy One

BUD DUNN

High & Manatawny Sts.



YULETIDE Greetings

Peggy Hat Shop

23 N. Penn St.

GREETINGS
Members and Friends

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HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO ALL OF YOU

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POTTSTOWN LODGE, No. 814

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks



THE MEMBERS OF OUR FIRM join in wishing to you and yours cordial Seasons Greetings

May the New Year bring you health, happiness, and prosperity.

Weitzenkorns

80 Years Young



Christmas Greetings

These simple words express for the New York Store family every good wish for your enjoyment of this most significant Christmas Day. May we together hold fast to the spirit of Christmas . . . the spirit of love, sacrifice and peace . . . in this spirit do we say, WE WISH YOU

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

The NEW YORK Store

WHERE POTTSTOWN SHOPS WITH CONFIDENCE

STORE CLOSED TODAY

Season's Greetings



To All Our Customers and Friends

HENRICKS PRETZEL COMPANY



Best Wishes for the

YULETIDE

and

A Prosperous

NEW YEAR

To All

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LEBLANG'S HOUSEWARES

427 HIGH ST.
Phone 3345



We Extend to Our CUSTOMERS and FRIENDS

The Compliments of the Season

MORRIS MILLER'S CLOTHES SHOP

311 HIGH ST.

On this Victorious Christmas we wish you and yours all good things in a world of eternal Peace.



FADLER'S

Formerly the Coral Shop

176 N. Charlotte St.



Flickering flames in their motley hues hold the warmth of our good wishes in their vivid beauty. Through the years — of candlelight, incandescent light and flourescent light, this organization has served this community to the best of its ability. Another Christmas . . . another year . . . to you, good cheer!

SUPERIOR BEVERAGE CO.

Pottstown – Phoenixville



THE MEMBERS OF OUR FIRM

Join in wishing to you and yours cordial Christmas Greetings. May the New Year bring you health, happiness and prosperity!

SUNSHINE FEED STORE

WALNUT and YORK STS.

WE WANT YOU TO KNOW



that we appreciate the business you have given us and shall strive earnestly to merit its continuance in the New Year to come.

CHARLES TORNABENE

UNRUH'S FISH MARKET

Closed All Day Christmas



PATRONS—FRIENDS

MERRY XMAS TO YOU

Pottstown China and Glass Store

155 HIGH ST.





In This Merry Season

There's a little wish we would like to add: May this be the Happiest Christmas you ever had.

Rose Millinery

8 N. Hanover St.



Because it is impossible to reach our many friends individually, we are taking this means of sending our message of good cheer. A Merry Christmas to one and all!

D. H. KLINK

Chiropractor

221 High St.

Pottstown

A Bright Merry Christmas

Brilliant and bright is the star you fasten atop your Christmas tree! And to that star is hitched our wagon full of friendly wishes for a jolly holiday and many other days rich in good things, good friends and good times.

LEVITZ FURNITURE STORE

212 High Street

Cheerio . . .

It's Christmas!

Here's hoping that you may Find joys enough to make it a truly "Perfect Day!"

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SOUTH & ROWLAND STS.

CAFE

Closed All Day Christmas

To Our CUSTOMERS and FRIENDS

J. A. FLICKINGER and SONS

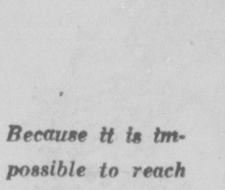
Garage Stowe



Jollity, good fun, good health, and good things be yours, we hope, this Christmas.

STRAND MEN'S SHOP

305 High St.



Thanks for your understanding when we just didn't have what you wanted. It is with real feeling that we wish you a Merry Christmas!

Roth's Family Shoe Store

321 High St.

A JOLLY CHRISTMAS — May we flash this message of good cheer—"A Jolly Christmas and A Happy New Year?"

BECHTEL'S ICE CREAM



On Christmas Morn

many's the home that will have a member of its family observing Yuletide rites in distant lands and in remote camps. To those homes . . as to the families that are happily intact . . . we extend every good wish for a joyous Christmas, and peace through devotion.

POTTSTOWN ROLLER MILLS

SOUTH and HANOVER STS.

Christmas Greetings

We're thinking about all our friends as the season's spirit fills the air. We want to extend our best wishes for the most wonderful Christmas of all, to all!

MERCHANTS HOTEL
High and York Sts.

"Merry Xmas"
and a
"Joyous
New Year"

We appreciate greatly the patronage given us during the past year

Leonard Levengood
STOWE



Our Christmas Greetings

May the holiday bring you great happiness and the future years even more.

MARINELLO BEAUTY SHOP
15 S. Hanover St.



Let this Christmas be a design for living. Best wishes and cheer.

WILLIAM E. BOALTON
Plumbing and Heating
EVANS AND CHESTNUT STS.

GREETINGS



In Appreciation of your valued patronage we wish you all a

Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year

JOHNNY'S SERVICE STATION
MOBILGAS • MOBILOIL • MOBILUBRICATION
24-HOUR SERVICE



Best Wishes

When all the good wishes expressed by your friends have been summed up—just remember that our wish is that every one of these wishes may come true.

ROY BINDER
Insurance
311 High Street



JOHN MADEJA
616 King St.

Wishes Everyone a Merry Time This Christmas



Holiday Greetings

WITH OUR BEST WISHES

To one and all go our heartiest wishes for the happiest Yuletide ever. May good cheer and good health be yours for all of 1947.

HOFFMAN'S LADIES' APPAREL



BEST WISHES

We wish you the flowering of all your hopes, the best wishes for a merry Christmas.

The Dainty Shop
Now Under the Management of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Spotts
Phone 2514
26 N. Charlotte St.



Our Christmas Wish!

May new, sweet joys
Your Christmas bless,
And the New Year
Bring you happiness.

We express appreciation of the patronage we have received during the year now drawing to a close and hope for a continuance of the same.

SMITH'S PAINT STORE
53 N. Charlotte Street
Phone 490-W

Greetings we extend on Christmas Day and may Yuletide lights burn brightly in the All-American way!



THRIFT CONSUMER DISCOUNT CO.
POTTSTOWN THRIFT CORP.
15 N. HANOVER ST.



May the good small things come in large packages for the new year. Merry Yuletide.

LeROY R. HAAS
SHOE REPAIRING 24 N. HANOVER ST.



May the Spirit of Christmas Deep and True Bring Joy and Peace and Cheer to You

SANATOGA GARAGE
Benj. Franklin Highway
SANATOGA



Here's to a tie-up of Christmas fun and cheer. Best Yuletide wishes.

FRANK LEVEILLE
GROCER



BEST WISHES

Good health and cheer to you all

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Yonkovitch and Son
Cherry and Evans St.



Our Christmas Greetings

May the holiday bring you great happiness and the future years even more.

RUFUS PROSTOVITCH
Grocer
184 Rowland Street



We wish your joy doubled, your good cheer multiplied for a merry Christmas.

RAMBLE INN
Route 100 and Schuylkill Road



A gala holiday season to you and yours. May it be filled with cheer and joy.

SINGER APPAREL STORE
363 High Street



Season's Greetings

Up hill and down dale
go our Christmas wishes to all
our friends and patrons.
This is the time of year when the cup of
good cheer is its fullest, hospitality
is its cheeriest, and our thoughts
of you are warmest!

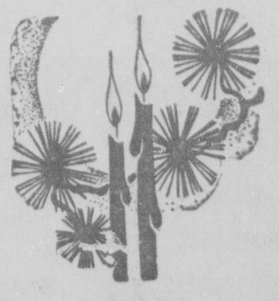
FERRO-PHOS CO.
161 N. Charlotte St.
Phone 446





We wish to extend to one and all sincere wishes for a happy holiday and our heartfelt thanks for your considerate patronage.

B. SHAFFER STURGES
Fuel Oil—Stokers
62 N. YORK ST.



Our entire personnel join in wishing you a very Merry Christmas and bountiful Good Cheer in all the days to come.

J. B. MARCH, Inc.
26 HIGH STREET

Thousands of Pilgrims Visit Bethlehem To See Re-enactment of Nativity Scene

BETHLEHEM, Dec. 24 (AP)—Plodding pilgrims by the thousands trod the ancient winding road to Bethlehem tonight to witness one of the holiest spectacles in all Christendom—the re-enactment of the birth of Jesus Christ.

The devout pageant is the traditional climax of Christmas eve celebrations by Christians of the Holy Land. It includes a solemn processional to the manger grotto, in the venerable stone church of the Nativity, erected over the scene of the Saviour's birth.

In the manger is placed an eight-inch wax doll in the figure of an infant boy. It will remain there until Jan. 6, the feast of the Epiphany, which commemorates the arrival of the Wise Men from the East.

Early in the day great crowds began to assemble in the bright sunlight. Despite the strife which has scourged the Holy Land in recent months, a festive air pervaded the little town.

Elsewhere in Palestine there were reminders of that strife. In Jerusalem a few Christian Arabs in a premature holiday celebration fired shots in the air. Guards, alert for new disorders, went into action instantly, and for an hour this Christmas eve the Holy City bristled with Bren guns and armored cars.

In the Jewish city of Tel Aviv, the bullet-riddled body of a young Jew was found. Unofficial sources said he was the victim of an abduction by a fanatical underground organization.

Police were on duty along the Bethlehem road, too, to cope with surging crowds and some 6000 vehicles heading toward the scene of the Nativity. Among the vast throngs in Bethlehem's manger square were some 14,000 more soldiers and police.

The traditional services began shortly after noon in the old church, when the Rev. Louis Barlassina, 75-year-old Roman Catholic patriarch, led a procession from the old city of Jerusalem to Bethlehem.

The patriarch, who has been head of the Latin clergy in the Holy Land for the past 28 years, led the procession from Jerusalem's historic Jaffa gate, site of the thrones of such mighty monarchs as Saul, David, Solomon and Herod.

Escorting his colorful procession were five brilliantly-garbed mounted police at the head of a line of cars bearing church dignitaries and officials of the Palestine government.

The procession proceeded slowly over the winding road built by the Romans, and halted briefly at Mount Elias monastery in the blue Judean hills, to greet Christian and Arab notables of the tiny village of Veit Jals. There, tradition says, King Saul was born.

The parade next paused at Rachel's tomb, where lie the remains of Jacob's wife.

Thousands of pilgrims — devout and curious alike—jammed Bethlehem's manger square as the patriarch was met by Issa Bandak, mayor of Bethlehem, and other dignitaries.

The patriarch was robed in fuchsia and ermine and wore a magnificent cross and chain of gold and rubies. With him were other high churchmen garbed in mauve, purple and white; acolytes in white lace; choir boys in red cassocks and white surplices. Looking on in the vanguard of the throng were cowled benedictine and Franciscan monks.

Police firmly held the throngs back from the aisle leading to the ancient church's "eye of the needle" door—the door which is lowered to about four feet to prevent camels from straying inside.

Trophy Winner



Examining a radio transmitter is Dr. Luis W. Alvarez, 35, physics professor and civilian pilot, who was awarded the Collier Trophy for the year 1945. Dr. Alvarez was given the award for his outstanding contribution to aviation on the basis of his work in developing the ground-controlled approach system for safe landing of all types of aircraft under all kinds of adverse weather conditions.

Former Police Chief Granted Yule Parole

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 24 (AP)—William C. Duerr, former Stowe township police chief convicted of the "mistake" slaying of two youths, today got a Christmas eve parole from county jail over tearful objections of the youths' families.

Allegheny county Judge Henry Ellenbogen stipulated the parole was granted with the understanding that Duerr make "financial restitution" to the families. The jurist said he would fix the amount later.

Duerr had served about nine months of a sentence of two years less one day. Had the sentence been over two years, the question of parole would have been up to the state parole board.

Duerr was convicted in February 1945 of fatally shooting Edwin Shuler, 24, of McKees Rocks and Ralph Landefeld, 29 of Kennedy Township, in a police trap arranged for two automobile thieves. Shuler and Landefeld were "mistaken" for the thieves.

Royersford-Spring City

HARLEY B. BRANDRETH, Rep.

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Prowler Out-legs 'Ford Police Chief To Avert Arrest

A prowler seen in the act of peering into a Royersford apartment by Chief of Police Bryson Turner late Monday night escaped, only because he was fleet-footed.

Scene of the escapade was at the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Breidegam, who occupy one of the Jacobs apartments fronting on Myrtle street, at the rear of the Jacobs apartment and store building on Main street.

Chief of Police and Mrs. Turner, who occupy a second floor apartment in the larger building, returned home about 11:30 o'clock Monday night, driving into the parking space at the rear of the apartments, on Myrtle street.

As the car nosed into the parking space, the chief spied a youth peering into the window of Breidegam's apartment. He thought it was Breidegam at the time, but soon changed his mind when the intruder applied a handkerchief to his face to conceal his identity. At the same time he maneuvered himself into the hallway leading to the Jacobs building.

Chief Turner approached the man, who hastened his pace, ignoring Turner's questions as to what he wanted there. The intruder then began to walk faster, ascended the steps through the hallway and escaped by going down the steps on the Main street side and up Main street, with Chief Turner in pursuit.

He disappeared on Main street, with Chief Turner in pursuit.

He disappeared on Fourth avenue. The police chief obtained a good idea who he was.

The chief was wearing his civilian clothes and did not have his service pistol, which proved to be a break for the prowler, who could legally have been shot at for failing to obey the commands of an officer to halt.

Piano, Vocal Numbers Mark Yule Program

Girl Scouts of Royersford Troop 19 met in the form of a Christmas party for their weekly meeting Monday night in Grace Lutheran church.

The program included a piano solo, "White Christmas," by Dolly Leonhardt; vocal duet, "Silent Night," by Joan Smith and Janet Bertolet, and vocal solo, "O Holy Night," Patsy Rooney.

After the party, the girls went to the home of Clifford Lewin, Fifth avenue, to see his model of Grace church, which he built himself several years ago. Returning to the church basement, refreshments were served and gifts were exchanged before the closing circle.

Monday afternoon a group of the girls visited the homes of five shutins, where they sang Christmas carols and presented each one with a plant for Christmas. Accompanied by Mrs. Christianna Hill, leader, the girls were Patsy Heller, Joyce Faust, Patsy Rooney, Yvonne Galloway, Nancy Henry, Loretta Kuhn, Sally Clevenstine and Joanne Randall.

CE Group to Stage Candlelight Service

The CE society of Royersford Trinity E. C. church will hold the annual candlelight Christmas dawn service at 6:30 o'clock this morning.

The program will consist of the reading of the prophecy from Isaiah and the fulfillment of the prophecy from Luke and Matthew. These scripture portions will be interspersed with appropriate carols sung by the choir and soloists.

Three scenes also will be portrayed: The manger, the shepherds and the wisemen bearing their gifts. Dorothy Bartges will have the part of Mary, William Hunsberger will portray Joseph, while Gordon Walters, Markley Weber and Melvin Hampton will be the shepherds, and Charles Oehlert, Clair Umstead and Roger Cattermole, the wise men.

Grace Umstead and Lorraine Neiman will be the soprano soloists, Mrs. John Cattermole, organist, and Jeanne Walters and Richard Cattermole, readers. The public has been invited to attend.

Of more than 80 political assassinations since 1865, only one fell on Friday the 13th. The exception was that of a Bulgarian diplomat in 1925.

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Postal Records Set In Twin-Borough For Christmas Mail

The Twin Boroughs were well-greeted for the Christmas season. Local post office departments will vouch for that, as both governmental offices broke all existing records in the volume of Christmas mail. Upwards of 200,000 pieces of Christmas mail went through the cancelation machines, not counting the parcel post packages.

To handle all this, the regular force of employes was augmented in both Spring City and Royersford. Four extra men aided in Spring City, while Royersford used eight additional employes. The rush began to subside yesterday, but the mails still were heavy the day before Christmas.

In Spring City Acting Postmaster Willis C. Latshaw reported a total of 95,000 cancellations as of 9 o'clock yesterday morning. This number was increased during the day by probably 1000. The period extended from Dec. 16 to 24, with the peak coming Dec. 18, when the total for one day was 20,000. The total for the entire period exceeded all records by at least 4000.

Mrs. H. E. Anderson, postmaster of Royersford, reported this was the best year in the history of the office, with a total of more than 105,000 cancelations from Dec. 16 to Dec. 23. The total ran over that figure yesterday. The highest for one day was 22,000.

Today, the employes, particularly the carriers, will sit back and relax.

Troop 27 Scouts Attend Yule Party

Thirty-nine Girl Scouts of Troop 27, Spring City, attended the annual Christmas party Monday night in the Methodist church recreation room.

In opening the program the girls recited the Motto, Slogan, Promise and the Girl Scout laws and Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Marion Ferrara, assistant scout leader, accompanied the group on the piano in the singing of Christmas carols.

Santa Claus arrived on the scene while they were singing "Jingle Bells." After shaking hands, Santa distributed gifts from beneath a decorated Christmas tree. Refreshments were served from a decorated table adorned with a centerpiece of four tall, yellow and green Girl Scout candles banked with fresh cut greens and poinsettias.

A circle with each Scout joining hands closed the affair.

The entire program was planned by the senior girls under the supervision of Miss V. Arlene Irey, Scout leader. For their efforts they will receive the Girl Scout Hostess badge. The girls are Janet Hyden, Doris Edwards, Faye Rudy and Betty Shaner.

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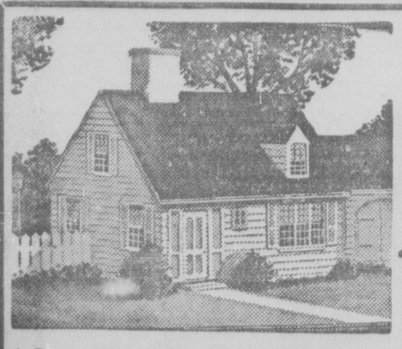
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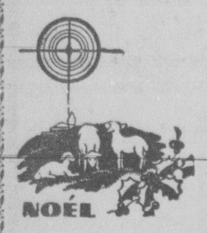
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MARINE BAR

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To our hundreds of customers, friends and well-wishers—a Merry Christmas.



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Season's Greetings

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O, come let us adore Him

Clear, sweet and strong the many voices of the choir rise as one to praise Him. For it is His birth date . . . anniversary of the beginning of a new concept of love and brotherhood for all mankind. We see again how He brought light into the darkness; how He fed the hungry, slaked the parched and healed the suffering. We sing again, psalms of joy in His coming . . . hymns of faith in His undying spirit . . . songs of love which are veritable paeans of glory reverberating around the world to guide all His children toward an everlasting realization of Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men.

Houck's
funeral home

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Industrial Output Boosted 50%, Small Tells Truman

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—John D. Small, former Civilian Production chief, reported to President Truman today that postwar reconversion gains have already boosted industrial production "at least 50 percent above the average of the late 1930s and for the past six months it has climbed from one peacetime record to another."

Small warned, however, that labor and management must work together to avoid further strikes or lose "much of the gain" in high production and employment achieved since the war ended.

At present, he said, virtually full employment has been reached, with 57,000,000 to 58,000,000 people in jobs —"the highest in the country's history."

This figure is 6,000,000 higher than after V-J-Day, 4,000,000 above the wartime peak and 14,000,000 higher than in 1939, he said.

Blending optimism with caution, Small declared the nation's economy generally is in a "healthy condition" and "it should be possible to achieve maximum output for most commodities within a reasonable period of time under the momentum that has been accumulated."

On the other hand, he told Mr. Truman in a final report on CPA:

"A new wave of work stoppages at this time or in the next few months could well lose for the country much of the gain that has been made in recent months."

Small emphasized that "some better solution" must be found for solving labor disputes and cautioned that "the exercise of wartime priority and allocation powers is not the solution."

"The solution must be reached," he said, "by management and labor working together, in the realization that production once lost cannot satisfy human needs, fill pay envelopes, or return profits to the owners.

"Major strikes of early 1946 delayed the achievement of today's record employment and production by several months. Their effects still are being felt in diminishing degree."

Set up in November, 1945, to take over activities of the old War Production Board, CPA was charged with helping industry along the war-to-peace conversion path through allocation of scarce materials, issuance of priorities to aid essential users obtain materials, and by preventing excessive exports and hoarding of items in short supply.

Small resigned about two weeks ago to return to private business.

Government controls, which numbered 700 at the war-time peak, have been reduced to less than 50 and still others will be dropped soon.

Small said some controls "are still needed to prevent hoarding, to prevent excessive exports, to meet national emergencies such as the recent coal strike and to assist the housing program. It seems to me however, that the majority of the remaining CPA controls can safely be lifted in the near future."

The official declared that administration of priority regulations "has become increasingly difficult" and that "there is a growing public impatience with the continued use of wartime controls more than 15 months after the end of the war."

Hollywood Ho!



Screen and stage star Barbara Blair poses for ship news photographers on the luxury liner S.S. America on the ship's arrival in New York harbor. The actress, one of 983 passengers on the vessel, is Hollywood bound.

Soft Coal Production Goes Up, SFA Reports

WASHINGTON Dec. 24 (AP)—More soft coal was produced during the week ended Dec. 14 than in any week since prior to the coal strike the past Spring, the Solid Fuels Administration said today.

The SFA estimated production was 12,920,000 tons, compared with 2,-2[illegible],000 tons during the preceding week when John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers (AFL) were idle. A railroad car shortage which forced more than 100 mines to close for part of the week prevented even greater production.

A piece of twine tied to a door knob and burned should take odors out of the house.

U. S. Speeds Relief In Earthquake Area

TOKYO, Dec. 24 (AP)—American foresight and insistence on cutting through bureaucratic red tape so speeded up relief today to the 100,000 made homeless by Saturday's quake and tidal waves that Japan's press and public switched interest to holiday celebrations.

As new compilations revised the casualty list slightly downward to 1061 dead, 165 missing and 1092 injured, thousands of Japanese Christians centered their thoughts on Christmas. Others, including the emperor and his family, gave thought to the 20th anniversary of the death of Emperor Taisho, Hirohito's father.

Ordinarily such a disaster in Japan is followed by faulty starts toward relief, in which the job is passed from local authorities, to prefectures to the government. But American efforts proceeded with such dispatch that the U. S. Army could report today disease was controlled.

Kyodo News agency said the Japanese government would appropriate the equivalent of more than $66,000,000 for relief and rehabilitation.

Thyssen May Escape Trial at Nuernberg

FRANKFURT, Germany, Dec. 24 (AP)—A reliable source here said tonight that it was likely that Fritz Thyssen, German industrialist, would not be tried by the American tribunal at Nuernberg because of lack of evidence.

If Thyssen is not tried, he will be released from custody, it was understood.

Mother of Baltimore Quads



Mrs. Charles Henn Jr., a British war bride, rests comfortably in Baltimore's St. Agnes hospital after giving birth to quadruplets, three boys and a girl. She is holding a picture of her other son, John, born in England the past year.

BRICKER SILENT ON REPORT TO SUPPORT TAFT

Senator-Elect Slated To Aid Fellow Ohioan In Presidency Campaign

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP) — A report that Senator-elect John W. Bricker of Ohio would stay out of the 1948 presidential race in favor of Senator Robert Taft of Ohio tonight brought a no-comment statement from Bricker and a declaration by Taft that he will make no decision on running "until our legislative job is done and Congress has adjourned."

Both men have been oft mentioned as possible Republican nominees for the presidency.

The Columbus, Ohio, dispatch published the story that Bricker intends to support his fellow Ohioan, Taft, rather than run for the nomination himself.

"I have nothing to say about it," Bricker told newsmen.

Bricker repeated that statement when told of Taft's reaction to the dispatch story.

Taft did not issue his statement in person and stayed away from reporters. The statement said that he would "be glad to sit down with John Bricker as soon as he arrives in Washington and discuss the whole matter with him."

Earlier, Taft told a reporter that he and Bricker would talk things over shortly and try to work out an arrangement of the problem in which Ohio might offer two "favorite sons" for the presidency. Both Taft and Bricker, along with other Republicans, have said that the GOP is a cinch to win the 1948 election.

Taft and Bricker were reported to feel it would be political suicide to bid against each other for Ohio's 50 votes at the Republican convention. This feeling was buttressed, it was explained, by the probability that Governor Thomas E. Dewey, New York, the 1944 nominee, will have most if not all of New York's 93 convention votes.

The Taft statement, issued Christmas eve after a lengthy conference with his immediate advisers here, follows:

"I shall be glad to sit down with John Bricker as soon as he arrives in Washington and discuss the whole matter with him. I have always felt that the Ohio Republican situation would be worked out in an amicable way. In 1938, when Republican membership in the Senate of the United States had sunk to the all-time low of 17 members, the Republican party of Ohio led the way in downright opposition to the New Deal and in the rejuvenation of the Republican party throughout the nation. In that year, and ever since, John Bricker, Tom Herbert, the present governor of the State; Paul Herbert, lieutenant governor; Don Ebright, treasurer of State; Jim Stewart, many others and myself have worked together and campaigned together every two years in complete harmony, with the single purpose of keeping progressive American policy in full effect in Ohio. Our joint interest today is in eliminating what remains of totalitarianism and New Dealism in Washington bureaus—and there is still plenty of it.

"As for presidential politics, it is still 18 months before the Republican convention of 1948. The Republicans have a difficult and full-time job of reorganizing Congress and enacting a Republican program on the immediate problems of reconversion now before the American people. The less personal ambition and presidential politics are mixed up with that jbo, the more likely we are succeed. As far as I am concerned, I will make no decision on the question of being a candidate for President until our legislative job is done and Congress has adjourned."

Three Million Fight In China Civil Strife

NANKING, Dec. 25 (Wednesday) (AP)—Christmas day found more than 3,000,000 combatants in active fighting areas in China.

Official sources estimate that nearly 2,000,000 Kuomintang (Government party) soldiers are on a full war status from the Yangtze river northward. There are believed to be at least 1,000,000 Chinese Communits soldiers and perhaps 500,000 militiamen also engaged in the fratricidal struggle.

Government sources reported from Peiping yesterday that government troops have checked a Communist threat of several weeks against the northwest part of the Peiping-Tientsin railroad.

Fierce fighting was reported in Central Hopeh providence with the Communists advancing from the north to within five miles of the provincial capital of Paoting.

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Veteran Patients Play Santa To Children



Joining in the chorus, Marc Poland, four, son of one of the veterans, enjoys himself immensely at the Christmas party given by veteran patients at the Valley Forge General hospital, Phoenixville, for about 50 children. Left to right are Sgt. George Sepilian, Brockton, Mass.; Sgt. William Joseph, Wilmington, Del.; S/Sgt. Andrew Grunza, Johnstown; Corp. Rene Noel, Sanford, Maine; Corp. Joohn Adamczyk, Buffalo, N. Y., and Pfc. Norman Poland, Philadelphia.

McNarney Announces Amnesty For 'Little Nazis' in U. S. Zone

FRANKFURT, Germany, Dec. 24 (AP)—Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, in a Christmas message to 3000 applauding Germans in historic Roemberg square, announced today an amnesty for 800,000 "Little Nazis" in the U. S. occupation zone of Germany.

Standing outside this city's old town hall, the commander of U. S. forces in the European theater outlined the fundamental change in the American denazification policy, and said he expected Germans to proceed more vigorously against "active Nazis who brought destruction upon their country."

McNarney spoke in English from a platform festooned with boughs of fir, on the site where emperors were crowned for five centuries.

Oberburgomeister Walter Kolb, in an address of welcome, thanked the general for help given the Germans in fighting the "battle of the Winter" and for "playing Santa Claus" to German children.

American officials estimated that amnesty would enable the denazification program to be completed in 18 months in the U. S. zone. Prior to today's announcement, it had been officially estimated that — at the current rate of denazification— the process would take eight years.

The amnesty, which will reduce the number of persons liable to prosecution to about 2,000,000, will apply to all those not listed as major offenders or whose yearly income during the calendar years 1943 and 1945 was less than 3000 marks and whose taxable property in 1945 did not exceed 20,000 marks.

Also exempted from prosecution are persons more than 50 percent disabled.

McNarney said German deNazification had not been "altogether satisfactory," but "we are heartened by the increasing effort which has become evident in the past six weeks."

The theater commander criticized the lack of "unified economic treatment" for Germany and said that zonal boundaries should not hamper Germany's economic life.

He declared that shortages in Germany had been accentuated "by failure of the four occupying powers, jointly, to implement that very important part of the Potsdam agreement providing for the unified economic treatment of Germany."

"Zonal boundaries should exist only for delimiting occupational areas and not to hamper Germany's economic life," he continued.

JACKIE COOGAN TO WED

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 24 (AP)—Actor Jackie Coogan and his theatrical partner, singer Ann McCormick, 22, obtained a marriage license today and announced they plan to be married in a quiet family ceremony Thursday.

Army Reassigns Nuernberg Officer

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—The War department said today the return to the United States of the Army colonel who commanded the Nuernberg jail had no connection with the cell room suicide of Reichsmarshal Herman Goering.

In response to reporters' questions, the department issued a statement saying that the officer, Col. B. C. Andrus, had 31 months of overseas duty and therefore was eligible for return to this country.

His reassignment, the statement added, "was in no way connected with the suicide" of Goering who took poison a few hours before his scheduled hanging.

The department also made public a letter from Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson, chief United States prosecutor at the Nuernberg war criminal trials, to Secretary of War Patterson. Jackson, wrote that Andrus had impressed him as being "diligent, intelligent and in all respects faithful to his trust."

Jackson also mentioned in the letter that Andrus applied for release from the Nuernberg assignment because of illness in his family.

FOOD CROP DESTROYED

CUMBERLAND, R. I., Dec. 24 (AP)—The entire 1946 food crop harvested for Cistercian monks at Our Lady of the Valley abbey was destroyed today in a fire that levelled a two-story building used as a machine shop and workmen's quarters.

Council Has Right To Pick President Of Zionist Congress

BASEL, Switzerland, Dec. 24 (AP)—The World Zionist Congress today empowered its general council to elect a Jewish agency executive and name a president to succeed Dr. Chaim Weizmann, whose policy of continuing negotiations with Britain on the Palestine issue was repudiated here.

Last-minute efforts to select an agency executive failed and the Congress adjourned its 13-day session. The general council meets tomorrow, but there was no indication it would act immediately upon the elections.

Strong contender for the presidency was Rabbi A. H. Silver, Cleveland, Ohio, leader of the opposition to Dr. Weizmann's policies. Silver's resolution against continued negotiations with the British was carried by a vote of 171 to 154.

Dr. Weizmann's secretary said he was flying to London today.

Because of the failure of final attempts to agree on a coalition agency executive, the selection was turned over to the council of 77 members, who represent proportionately the major parties in the Zionist organization. The council is the interim authority in the movement between biennial sessions of the Congress.

Dr. Silver held a number of last-minute conferences in the hope of forming an executive which would be representative but at the same time would carry out the Congress decision not to take part under existing conditions in the Jan. 14 London conference on Palestine.

Should the situation change, however, the council was empowered to "consider the matter and decide whether to participate in the conference or not."

The Congress demands unrestricted immigration of Jews into the Holy Land, establishment of a Jewish state in an adequate area of Palestine and exploration of the possibility of a Jewish-Arab understanding. It called upon dissident groups in Palestine to refrain from further bloodshed and protested deportation of uncertified Jewish immigrants from the Holy Land.

The Congress acclaimed "the continuous flow to Palestine of Jewish immigrants — men, women and children — who have braved every terror to reach the shores of their homeland."

BALLES FREE IN BAIL

NORRISTOWN, Dec. 24 (AP) — George W. Balles Jr., 33, former headmaster of a private school at nearby Three Tuns, was freed today under $10,000 bail pending a new trial on morals charges involving several of his pupils.

Curran Quits Job As Co-Chairman of Maritime Committee

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—Joseph Curran resigned today as co-chairman of the CIO's Committee for Maritime Unity and urged joint organization of all CIO, AFL and independent maritime unions for protection against "vicious anti-labor maritime" legislation he said was threatened.

Curran, president of the CIO National Maritime union, said the direct cause of his resignation was an "intolerable situation" in which he charged that four small craft unions on the Pacific coast together with the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union were using his as a "stooge."

In a statement explaining his resignation, Curran said all maritime unions also must "organize jointly against the activities of the Coast Guard, now becoming vicious against the seamen."

Curran said the NMU was endangered by the "intolerable situation" and that seamen, particularly NMU members, were "being misled into believing" that strong unity existed in the CMU.

The NMU has 90,000 members while the four smaller unions of the CMU have only a combined 25,000, Curran stated, and these four, with the ILWU headed by Harry Bridges, "have been dictating all policies of OMU."

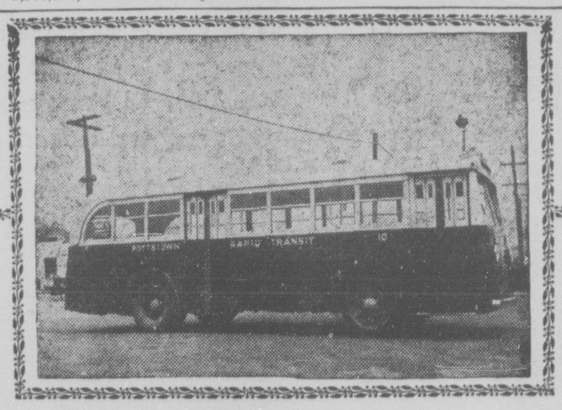
The minority, he charged, has "made our great industrial union (NMU) virtually a stooge for their shotgun unity, so to speak."

The "West Coast section" of the CMU had been responsible for "wrong strategy" and "wrong tactics" which were costly financially to seamen and damaging to union strength, he added.

Joint CIO-AFL-independent organization is necessary, Curran said, "to defeat the establishment of vicious anti-labor maritime laws which forces among the shipowners and in the Government are attempting now to pass through the next Congress under the guise of recodifying old maritime laws and bringing them up to date."

The CMU was formed to present a common front in negotiations with shipowners on both coasts.

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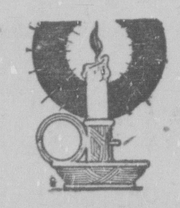
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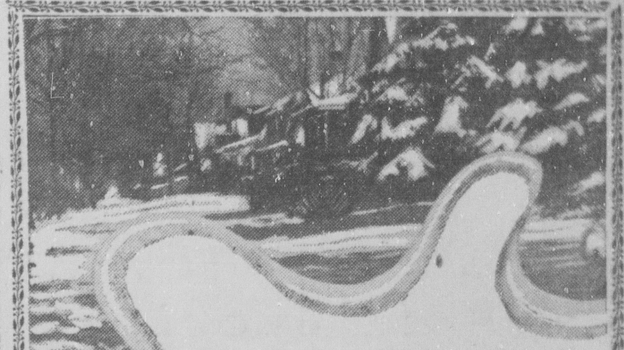
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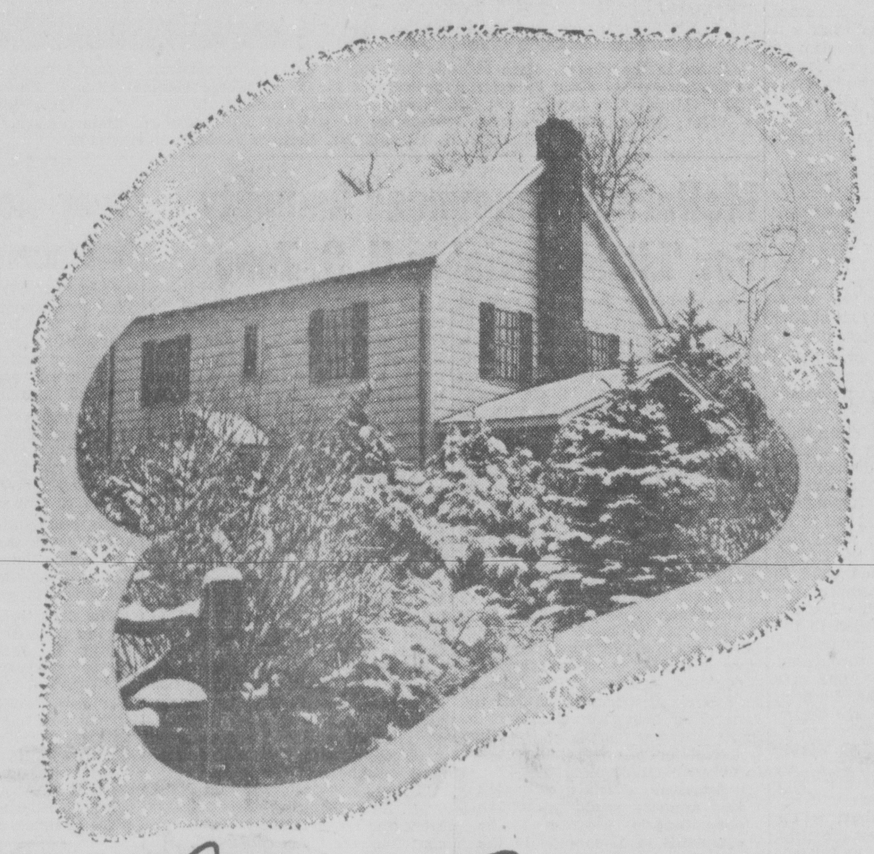


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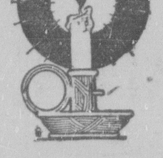
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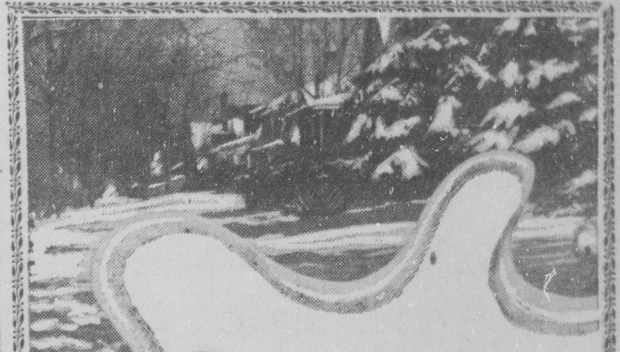
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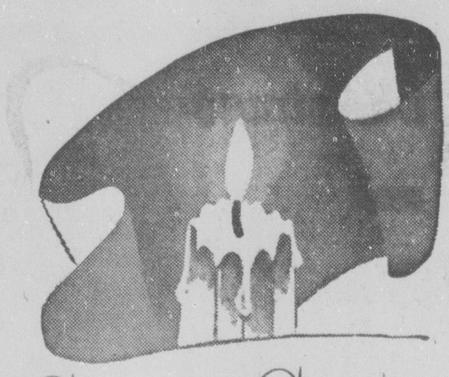




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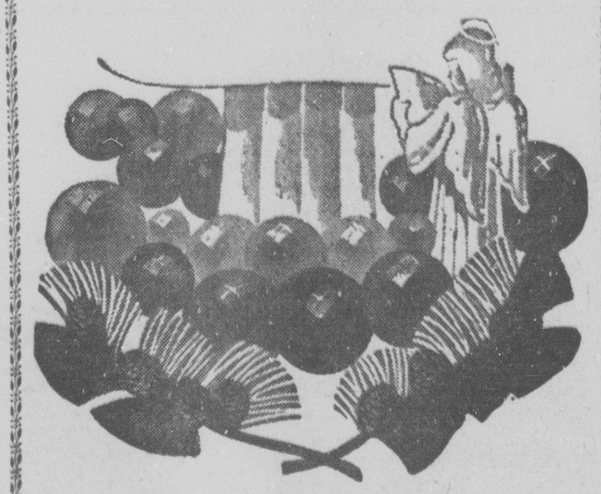


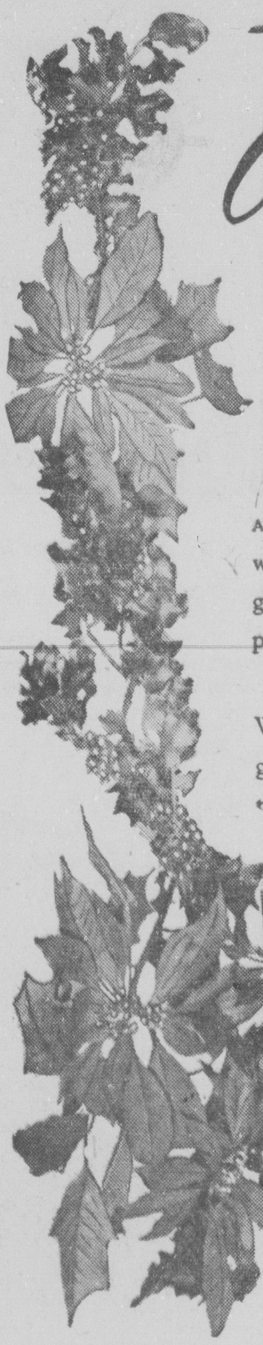
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Greetings are pealing your way, for we are tolling the golden bells of the Yuletide Season to wish everyone the Merriest, Gayest and Most Jubilant Christmas ever.

Stone's Jewelry Store

210 High Street



Christmas cheer is in the air! Christmas joy is everywhere! Add our wishes that this be the merriest holiday season ever!

PRINCE'S BAKERY

107-113 S. WASHINGTON ST.

Pottstown Phone 2322

GREETINGS

A gateway to happiness in the Christmas joy that is yours this season — we wish you that.



MODERN PAINT & SUPPLY CO

137 HIGH ST.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

French Creek Merchandising Co.

General Merchants

Harmonyville St. Peters Knauertown



On this gay, spirited Christmas, our best wishes go to all our friends for the happiest and most joyous Christmas ever! And coupled with our sincere felicitations is a "thank you" for your appreciated patronage. A merry, merry Christmas to one and all!

Pottstown Furniture Factory

433 High Street

Greetings and Good Wishes



May your Yuletide season be a merry one.

WARREN B. ZERN

General Contractor

216 BEECH STREET



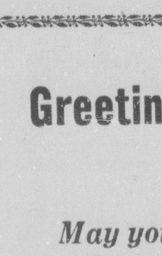
Here's to your happiness.

May this Christmas bring you good cheer and joy.

JOHNNY'S PLACE

Elm and Monroe Sts.

STOWE



Of all the fine things in this world, we wish you the most. Good cheer!

DICK'S PARKING

18 SO. CHARLOTTE ST.



May yours be a joyous holiday, overflowing with happiness and good cheer.

WEISS' WOMEN'S APPAREL

214 High St.



When I ventured into post war practice in this town, I knew just a handful of people. But in a very short time I have gotten to know many and to really feel this community is "Home." That's all the reason I need to feel merry this Christmas, while I sincerely wish you the season's joy.

DR. HAROLD C. BAUMANN

OPTOMETRIST—EYESIGHT SPECIALIST

215 HIGH STREET

Season's Greetings

That your path be always lighted with the joys of Christmas is our fervent wish.



MAYER'S BAKERY, INC.

Oak and Charlotte Sts.



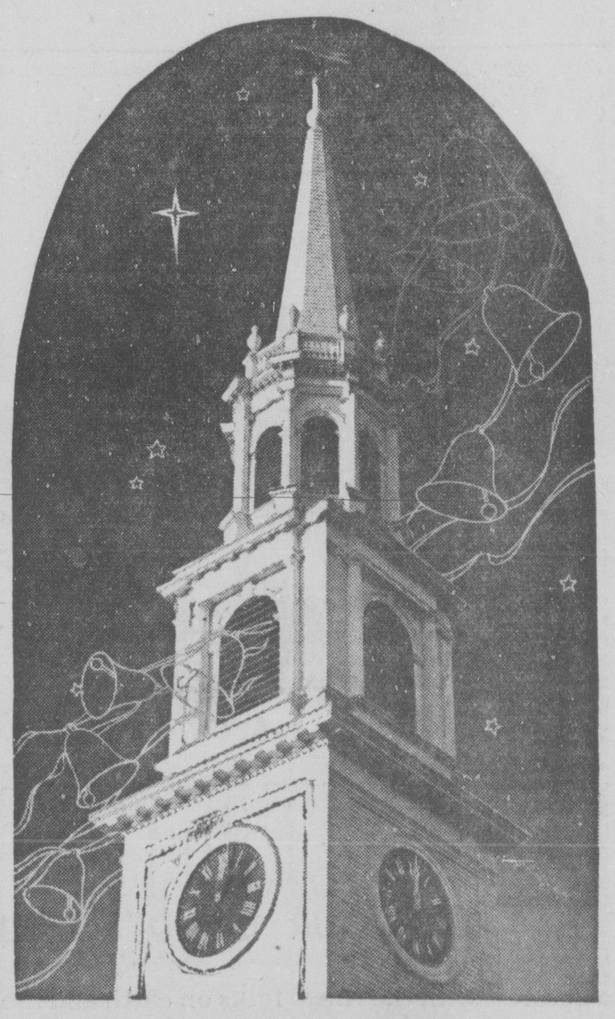
JOY BE WITH YOU THIS HAPPY SEASON

We are mindful of our debt to our friends who have favored our business.

Merry Christmas!

WESLEY O. HARLEY

HIGH AT FRANKLIN ST.



Wherever a Church steeple rises to pierce the blue skies of daylight, and commune with the stars of night — there is Peace. And as we enter our Church this Christmastide, the full spirit — meaning — and essence of the word shall enter our beings and inspire each of us to fulfill our own small roles in achieving for all time Peace on Earth: Good Will to Men.

J. FEGELY & SON CO.

38 High Street :-: Phone 81



Christmas Good Wishes

Greetings on your arrival in the happy harbor of Christmas. May much good cheer await you at this pleasant port and as you set out on time's tide for the future may your ship find each day a rolling billow to drive her o'er a prosperous sea of health ... and plenty.

ESSO SERVICENTER

High and Adams Street Buckwalter and Shaw Phone 1263



We wish you a Christmas lit with good hope, and filled with the company of those you love. The greatest gift any of us can wish.

R. W. CROASDALE

Moser Rd. and High St.



Greetings

We send our warmest greetings to all our patrons for a very happy Yuletide holiday.

BERMAN SALES CO.

Freuhauf Trailers
International Trucks

W. High Street

WE ALL

wish to extend to you Christmas greetings and Good Will, and may boundless Holiday Cheer be ever yours.

COMMERCIAL HOUSE GRILL

153 High Street



The season's best on this most joyous occasion. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to one and all.

McCorraher's

233 HIGH STREET PHONE: 1711



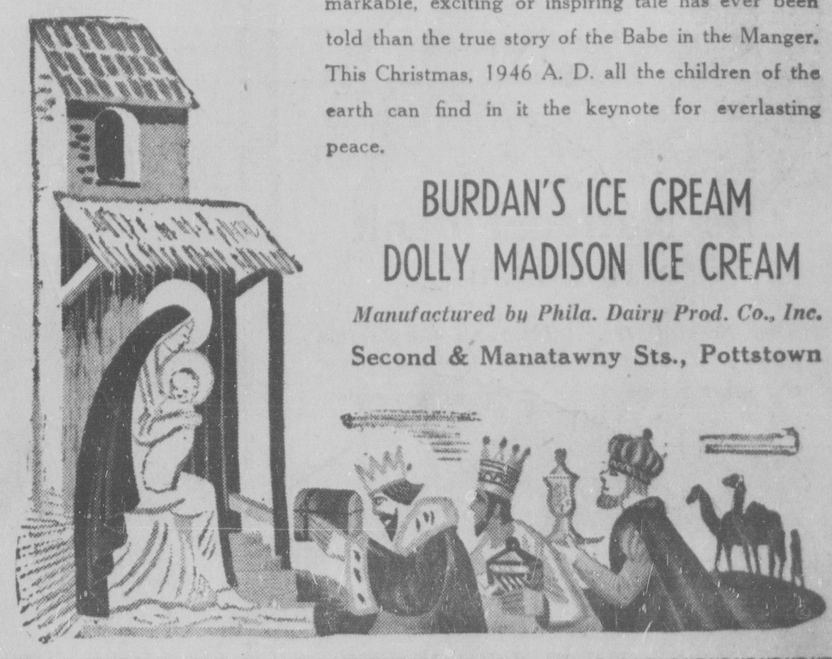
In all the centuries during which man has conceived plots to be woven into story-telling, no more remarkable, exciting or inspiring tale has ever been told than the true story of the Babe in the Manger. This Christmas, 1946 A. D. all the children of the earth can find in it the keynote for everlasting peace.

BURDAN'S ICE CREAM

DOLLY MADISON ICE CREAM

Manufactured by Phila. Dairy Prod. Co., Inc.

Second & Manatawny Sts., Pottstown



CHRISTMAS Greetings

Christmas gives us the opportunity to express our joyful wishes to all our faithful friends and wish them a "Merry Christmas!"

JIMMY'S PLACE
119 HIGH ST.

A Toast to Christmas



and to our friends may Christmas be a long day and a Merry One.

M. L. MOYER CO.
142 HIGH STREET



And

BEST WISHES

To Our

Customers and Friends

WELLS and SON
Feed—Lumber—Coal—Building Materials
PARKERFORD Phone Linfield 3682



The season's greetings to you . . . and cheer, health and happiness.

BARNA'S
Bahr Arcade
High and Charlotte Sts.

Garlands of good hope to crown your good will . . . for this and coming Christmas seasons.



MARGARET W. FRAY
FURRIER
1040 HIGH ST.





May the good fortunes of this year come to you in greater measure for next year. A Merry Christmas to you.

BEST WISHES

DE MATTEO'S CAFE
RACE ST., STOWE



Heartiest Good Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year

CHRISTMAN'S
FAIRLAWN MARKET
14 S. Kelm St.



Yuletide Greetings
and
Best Wishes
To our
Customers and Friends

DANIEL MILLER
BARBER
22 N. Charlotte St.

May this Christmas bring in a new year of good health, success and happiness.



SOUTHERN CURB MARKET
411 High St.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO ALL

Our Depositors and Friends

The National Bank
OF POTTSTOWN
Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation



IT HAS BEEN OUR GOOD FORTUNE

To do business with the finest folks on earth and the Spirit of the Season brings renewed appreciation of old associations and the value of good friends. Here's wishing you the most joyous Christmas and a New Year that will bring you and yours the fullest measure of happiness and prosperity.

LEVENGOOD DAIRY FARMS
CHESTNUT AND WASHINGTON STS.



Wishing Our Friends
and Patrons
A Very
MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR

POTTSTOWN DINER
405 High St.



Greetings to You

We Express Our Thanks

In wishing you a Jolly Christmas, we should like to thank you for a year of pleasant business associations.

JOHN A. CONRAD
313 Johnson Street



On this most glorious occasion we want to express our heartiest wishes to one and all for a Christmas brimming over with joy and happiness.

KEPNER and ROMICH
139 HIGH ST.

Season's Greetings



Row on row of good cheer and happiness is our wish for you this Christmas.

ROSE SINGER SHOPPE
Qualified Corsetiere
20 N. Hanover St.

CLUB NEWS

Social Activities

Investiture Marks Yuletide Party of Troop 6 Scouts

A candlelight investiture service featured a Christmas party staged Monday night by Girl Scout Troop 6 of First Methodist church in the church.

Invested were Shelvy Mountain and Joan Borgiet.

Following the investiture Christmas carols were sung and two plays were presented.

Cast of the first play, "Shephards Gifts", included Joan Dillman, Clair Bush, Claudia Ellicker, Claudette Welsh, and Mary Kay Rettew.

Participants of the second play, "The Changed Heart" were Hilda Zirkel, Joyce Slonaker, Barbara Yergey, and Shelvy Mountain.

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments which included cookies made by the scouts were served.

It was announced the troop sang carols in the hospitals Sunday.

Those in charge of the affair were Mrs. Waverly Kiehl, Mrs. Henry Schneider, and Mrs. Harry Shellenberger.

HOSPITALS

HOMEAPATHIC

Admitted: Mrs. Helen Lewis, Hilldale RD B, maternity; John Laub, Stowe, surgical.

ADMITTED AND DISCHARGED: Fred C. Hinton, Pottstown RD 1, medical.

Discharged: Mrs. Henrietta Elliott, 313 Johnson street, maternity; Mrs. Ethel Myers, Stowe, maternity; Mrs. Opal Raysor, Parkerford, maternity; Mrs. Ella Bertoti, 109 Warwick settlement, South Pottstown, maternity; Mrs. Shaindel Printz, Hilldale RD B, maternity; Mrs. Hilda Geiger, 262 Beech street, surgical; Mrs. Irene Burgoon, Royersford, medical; Mrs. Pearl Powell, Spring City, medical; Marion Rex, Spring City, medical; E. Richard Sower, Royersford, medical; Nelson Weidenbaugh, Pottstown RD 4, surgical; Joan Palladino, 28 Walnut street, medical.

POTTSTOWN

Admitted: Leonard Hiltwine, 1374 Queen street, surgical; Bertha Bickel, 236 Prospect street, medical.

Discharged: Joyce Rhoads, Boyertown, maternity; Betty Stamm, 464 North Charlotte street, maternity; Mildred Fulmer, 48 West Fifth street, maternity; William Fizz, 719 Beech street, surgical; Mayme Herbine, 1135 Queen street, surgical; John Henryson, Germantown, surgical; Mrs. Freda Lare, Royersford, maternity; Ella Kinckiner, 958 Queen street, medical; Mrs. Mary Fisher, 225 Penn street, maternity; Mrs. Rita Kemmerer, Barto, maternity; Dorothy Missimer, 369 Beech street, surgical; Emma Shaner, 47 Walnut street, surgical; Kenneth Sobresky, 343 Johnson street, surgical; Harold Modery, 910 High street, surgical; Mrs. Betty Moyer, Hilldale, maternity; William Mayberry, 629 Walnut street, surgical; Robert Peck, Pottstown RD 1, surgical; Alberta Laphan, Stowe, surgical; Mrs. Evelyn Mest, Boyertown, maternity; Anna Swoyer, Pottstown RD 2, medical; Mrs. Mary Ebright, Trappe, maternity; James Carter, 815 Sheridan street, surgical.

Ever try a two-meal Sunday with meat for the late breakfast? Make tiny meat balls, flavor with onion, salt, nutmeg and blend in bread crumbs softened in milk. Fry until brown. Add cream or evaporated milk and simmer covered until gravy thickens.

During 1946 Three Women Play Star Roles Of World Importance in United Nations

In 1946 three women played star roles of world importance in United Nations, others represented their countries effectively and hundreds helped turn the wheels of UN's vast secretarial machine.



Mrs. Roosevelt

In short, though the number of women in the United Nations was much less than the number of men, they played a far more active and effective role in the organization's first year, than they did in the League of Nations.

The three who did a stellar job were Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt of the United States; Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit of India, rich Brahmin who has been twice jailed for the cause of Indian independence; and Mrs. Bodil Begtrup, president of the National Council of Women of Denmark—all delegates to the General Assembly.

Mrs. Roosevelt, the first of the three to work in United Nations, served as a delegate at both sessions of the General Assembly and as chairman of the Human Rights Commission of the Economic Council. In a year's service, she tilted on many fields for international understanding and peace.

She was especially active in behalf of the projected International Refugee Organization, which would handle the problem of Europe's refugees, who number more than 1,000,000 and whose unsettled state is one of the myriad threats to future peace. Many of the refugees fear to return home because they oppose new governments or face possible trial as collaborationists.

Mrs. Roosevelt also worked hard for an international declaration on fundamental human rights, which many delegates regard as one of the most important foundations to world peace. A declaration along these lines, drafted and presented by Panama, was referred at Mrs. Roosevelt's suggestion to the Economic and Social Council for consideration at its next session early in 1947. Mrs. Roosevelt also took up the cudgels in behalf of freedom of information; worked for political and civil rights for women everywhere.

Mrs. Pandit, is a sister of Jawaharlal Nehru, head of India's interim government at Delhi, and the only woman who heads a delegation to the United Nations. At the current Assembly session she tackled one of the world's most difficult problems, the color question, and emerged with what many called a personal victory.

Under her leadership the Indian delegation brought charges that Indians living in South Africa were victims of racial discrimination and for the first time forced a vote from the General Assembly on the color question. After a long battle, in which the South African delegation sought to have the issue sent to the International Court, the Assembly passed a compromise resolution censuring the South African government for discrimination against Indian citizens of South Africa to settle their differences and report to next year's session.

Mrs. Bodil Begtrup won another victory of social and political significance. She helped draft the most ambitious women's rights program of all time, calling for equal rights in all fields in all countries. When that met with some opposition, she helped draft a resolution calling on member nations to establish equal rights in the political field only and had the satisfaction of seeing it passed by the General Assembly.

That victory marked the first time a world parliament of sovereign states supported the principle of votes for women and shrewd observers called it a big step forward in women's advance along the road to equal rights in everything everywhere.

Bright Eyeful



Posing in typical shipboard Melody Brown, English comedy star, is shown on arrival at New York from Europe. Melody is headed for Hollywood.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hartung, Pottstown RD 1, announce the birth of a daughter yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs. Daniel O. Lewis, Hilldale, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter yesterday in Homeopathic hospital.

WEDDINGS

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bulharowski, Miss Trudy Kowalski, 61 South Charlotte street, and Mrs. Albert Gnoza and daughter, Cecelia, 63 South Evans street, have returned home after a trip to Effingham, Ill., where they attended the ordination of the Rev. Edward J. Kowalski. The Rev. Kowalski is a brother of Mrs. Bulharowski and Miss Kowalski and a nephew of Mrs. Gnoza.

Mary Ann Canceliere Feted on Anniversary

In celebration of her birthday anniversary, Miss Mary Ann Canceliere was honored at a party the past Sunday in her home.

The affair was given by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Canceliere.

Games were played and refreshments were served at a table decorated attractively in pink and white.

Those attending were Anna Rulli, Nancy DiGiosia, Lucy Grazani, Nana DiGiosia, Joanne Mast, Barbara Rubright, Phyliss Nore, Margaret Harp, Francis Zioza, Barbara Canceliere, Florence Olock, Nancy Wright, Ethel Wright, Arlene Gaugler, and Olga Ehling.

YOUR BIRTHDAY

ANNIVERSARIES

Today

Robert J. Markoski, Hillcrest Orchards, aged ten years.

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Mr. Russell Nettles, 339 Walnut street.

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Leidy E. Fleck, Pottstown RD 4.

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Hazel Feight, Pottstown RD 2.

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Catherine Bannon, Pottstown RD 2.

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Mrs. T. Frank Bickhart, Walnut street, Stowe.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Today

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Guest, 431 Buttonwood street, Penn Village, nine years.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bush, Boyertown RD 2, one year.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, Elverson RD 1.

Recently

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ziegler, Limerick, four years.

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Mr. and Mrs. Russell Lenhart, 639 Chestnut street, five years.

When cooking a large volume of food, lower the temperature as heat will penetrate a large mass slowly and overcook the outside before the inside is done.

Rita Stars in Tender Home Scene



In her real life role of mother, glamorous Rita Hayworth explains the workings of a Christmas toy to her daughter Rebecca in Hollywood. The daughter of Rita and Orson Welles had a second birthday just before the Yule holidays brought her more toys.

Dorothy J. Meredith's Engagement Revealed

Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Meredith, 1312 Cherry street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy Jean, to Douglas W. Sands, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest H. Sands, 1115 High street.

No wedding date has been set.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Applications for marriage licenses were made yesterday in Montgomery county courthouse, Norristown, by:

Kenneth R .Hamman, 216 Dotts street, and Ruth A. Trumbore, 515 Main street, both of Pennsburg.

Carl E. Rubright and Gladys V. Shaner, both of 464 Buttonwood street, Penn Village.

Russell C. Prutzman, 518 North Franklin street, and Mary V. Griesemer, Douglassville RD 1.

Edward M. Keane, 130 St. Marys street, Phoenixville, and Elaine Hartman, 533 Beech street.

Robert K. Rank, Collegeville, and Lois S. Roadarmel, 78 Mt. Vernon street.

Honey is used as a sweetening agent by bakers and confectioners, because it imparts flavor and helps preserve foodstuffs.

Domestic and Bermuda - type onions that range from 1 inch to 1 and 5/8 inches in diameters are often called "boilers."

my xmas GIFT to you —
$20 COLD WAVE
for only $10
Complete
A wave so swift, so sure, so bland, and so beautiful, that it will please the most exacting. A permanent that everyone should have and enjoy. This offer good to Dec. 24.
Make Your Appointment NOW—Phone 3328
Josephine Rosenberry's Beauty Shoppe
308 King St.

May this Christmas cargo be a heavy one of good cheer and joy for your whole family.
EVELYNE APPLEGATE
Antiques
105 High St., Pottstown
GREETINGS

A bonnie Christmas filled with cheer and the very happiest of all New Years.
JANE'S BEAUTY SHOP
54 W. 4th St.

We hope our cheerful Chirping contributes from the start, to the very merriest Christmas our good wishes can impart!
Leona's Beauty Salon
301 Chestnut Street

SEASON'S GREETINGS TO ALL OUR FRIENDS
Yvonne's FASHION CENTER
318 High Street
DOROTHY E. TROLLINGER

Christmas Cheer
BEST WISHES
May you ride the crest of Christmas cheer in good health. A best Christmas to you.
JANICE BEAUTY SHOPPE
237 High St.

"A Holiday Joy"
It's a holiday joy to wish you and yours a Joyful, Happy Christmas and a very Good New Year.
THE MARGUERITE SHOP
23 N. Hanover St.

Happy Holidays
This little angel sprinkling stardust wherever she goes is our heaven-sent messenger bringing you our season's greetings for a Merry, Merry Christmas.
Edna Kendall Coat and Gown Shop
17 N. Hanover St.

SEASONS GREETINGS
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS
CLAIRE HAT SHOP
16 North Hanover St.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS
SEASONS GREETINGS
May your Christmas be as beautiful as the clean, first snowfall.
Glendell Beauty Shoppe
361 High St.

JOY TO THE WORLD
May your hearth be warm always. May this Christmas be the best you've ever had.
CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS
EMMA'S BEAUTY SHOP
516 E. Vine St., Stowe

WISHING YOU A MERRIER CHRISTMAS!
A WILLIAM GOLDMAN THEATRE
TODAY HIPPODROME 2 HOLIDAY HITS
It's Merry Mayhem And Riotous Romance! HIT 1
CAROLE LANDIS · ALLYN JOSLYN
IT SHOULDN'T HAPPEN TO A DOG
TRAPPED! HIT 2 ...BETWEEN THE GALLOWS AND A GAL!
The Cisco Kid
"Beauty and the Bandit"
starring GILBERT ROLAND with RAMSAY AMES
TOMORROW ONLY!
The Song Filled—Star Studded Show—Back Again to Keep Your Holiday Spirits in High!
THE SINATRA SHOW!
FRANK SINATRA in HIGHER AND HIGHER
with Jack Haley
Leon Errol

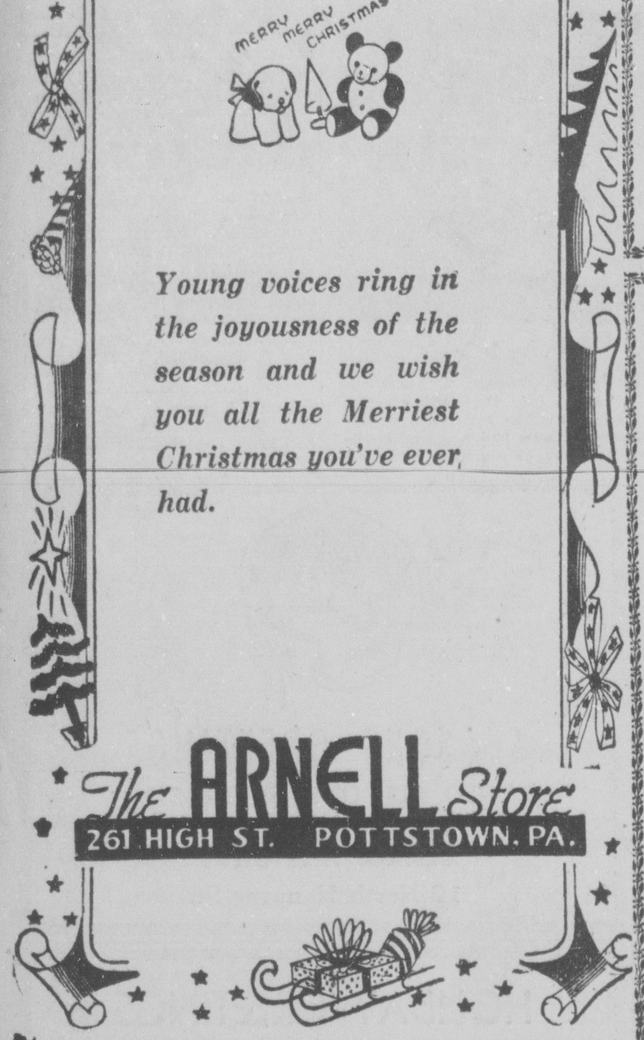
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CONTINUOUS FROM 12:00 NOON TODAY
The Great American Classic of High Adventure on the High Seas!
Richard Henry Dana's "TWO YEARS BEFORE THE MAST"
starring ALAN LADD · BRIAN DONLEVY
WILLIAM BENDIX · BARRY FITZGERALD
A Paramount Picture
ATTENTION
KIDDIES' "CARTOON JAMBOREE"
FRI. DEC. 27th
Doors Open 9:30 A. M.
GET YOUR TICKETS
Now At Our Box Office

Greetings
The candle's bright gleam casts a shadow of beauty over all the house . . . the spirit of Christmas is one of brightness and cheer . . .
We too want to share that spirit with you on this joyous holiday by extending you our sincerest wishes for a
Merry Christmas to All
PHYLLIS ANNE DRESS SHOP
162 N. Charlotte St.



Young voices ring in the joyousness of the season and we wish you all the Merriest Christmas you've ever had.

The ARNELL Store
261 HIGH ST. POTTSTOWN, PA.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

To All Members of
Our Parish As Well
As All Their Friends

Our Merry Christmas to You Includes a Heartfelt Prayer for Everyone

Rev. John Naja Rector and
Rev. Francis Krajewski

ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
SOUTH and PRICE STREET



We send you our sincerest greetings this yuletide season and wish you a joyous Christmas—a bright and happy New Year.

Dr. W. D. PHILLIPS
OPTOMETRIST
340 HIGH ST.



This Is One Christmas for Sentiment

This is the time to be with loved ones — to clasp hands and renew pledges of friendship—to be frankly sentimental. This is Christmas, and at no other time in the year do warm feelings and fond words seem more fitting! Merry Christmas, say we, from the bottom of our hearts!

MEADOWBROOK FARMS
H. R. Swavely



A Merry, Merry Christmas to You

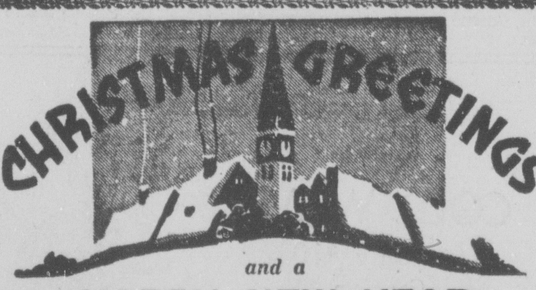
SHIRLEY J. HAMPTON
Beautician
19 N. Hanover St.



Sing It Loud!

MERRY CHRISTMAS

W. T. GRANT CO
226-28 High St.



and a

HAPPY NEW YEAR

N. M. SECHLER
Beverage Distributor
284 N. HANOVER ST.



OUR WISH TO YOU for a HAPPY HOLIDAY

KARMELKORN SHOP
321 High Street



A TOAST TO CHRISTMAS ... and to our friends. May Christmas be a long day and a Merry one!

ELLIS DRUG STORE
Charlotte and Walnut Sts.

Christmas Cheer



May you ride the crest of Christmas cheer in good health. A best Christmas to you.

ELSIE'S BEAUTY SHOPPE
323 High Street, Pottstown

BEST WISHES



Permit us to extend to you all the good wishes for a cheerful, happy Christmas.

BOSTON SHOE STORE
259 High St.



MERRY XMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR

SUNNYBROOK BALLROOM
Buchert and Hartenstine



Here's to your luck, your health, your good cheer this Christmas.

HOWARD McCABE
AUTO PARTS
515 Farmington Ave.



With our hearts full of Christmas spirit we wish to convey our appreciation for your loyal and valued patronage during the season of 1946. It's good to know that our efforts have not been in vain and that we have met with hearty approval.

GOODYEAR SERVICE STORES
151-A HIGH ST. - Phone 603

GREETINGS

Once again, the Star of Bethlehem shines down upon a peaceful earth. On this Christmas, we humbly pray to God that always may we have the blessings of peace.

POTTSTOWN METAL WELDING CO.
46 High Street



Though time never end and the people of the earth ever increase in numbers — the story of Jesus will be told through all the years and to all generations to come. Christmas will be forever glorious and its spirit a constant source of inspiration.

NICK A. PALLADINO and BRO.
28 WALNUT ST.





MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

FRANK A. SMITH
BEVERAGE DISTRIBUTOR
548 KING STREET POTTSTOWN

'ALLOW US TO extend to you Our Most Hearty Good Wishes for Your Happiness at Christmastide and throughout the coming New Year.

ART'S DINER
W. High St.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS *from* SANATOGA RADIO CO. AND ITS EMPLOYEES





A WORLD WITHOUT CHRISTMAS WOULD BE A WORLD WITHOUT FRIENDS!

We are thankful for both. A host of friends has made our progress rapid. The loyalty of our acquaintances has been of material benefit, bringing us a little closer to our goal of achievement. Christmas gives us a splendid opportunity to express our appreciation for these friends and for the patronage they have given us. We are glad that the particular world in which we live still has friends . . . and Christmas. THE SEASON'S GREETINGS TO EACH OF YOU!

Officers and Members of

ORIOLES

Home Association

MERRY CHRISTMAS



We hope that this Christmas brings you the best in living, the merriest of seasons.

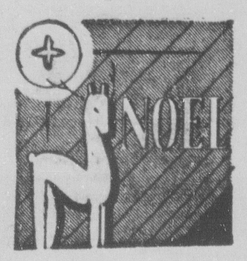
ROBERT P. ECKER
107 HIGH ST., POTTSTOWN, PA.

GREETINGS TO YOU!



May your pathway be as smooth as the sincere hope for a happy Christmas.

ETHEL'S BEAUTY SHOPPE
ETHEL S. METZGER
PHONE 2155 204 HIGH ST.



MERRY XMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR

May this joyous Christmas season be but a forerunner of the happiness and prosperity that will be yours throughout the year.

SAM S. ROOT
Butcher
SO. POTTSTOWN

Season's Greetings



May your home be filled with true Christmas spirit — now and forever!

WOODLAND INN
E. W. HERPST, Prop.
Route 100 Phone Pughtown 2951

A TOAST TO YOU



We send you our best wishes for a merry Christmas, this year and every year.

HAAG BROS.
BEER DISTRIBUTORS
Phone 224



MERRY XMAS
TO YOU
and
A Happy New Year

Harry A. Keene
ESTATE
King & Charlotte Sts.



MERRY XMAS
To All Our
Customers and Friends

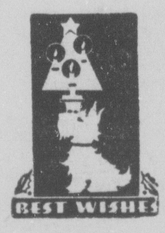
ARROW RECREATION
BOWLING ALLEYS
OPEN CHRISTMAS DAY FROM 12 NOON

OUR WISH TO YOU



The season's cheer to all our friends.

N. Charlotte St. Service Station
Ed. Horner, Prop.



A sincere and heartfelt hope for a joyous and merry Christmas to you.

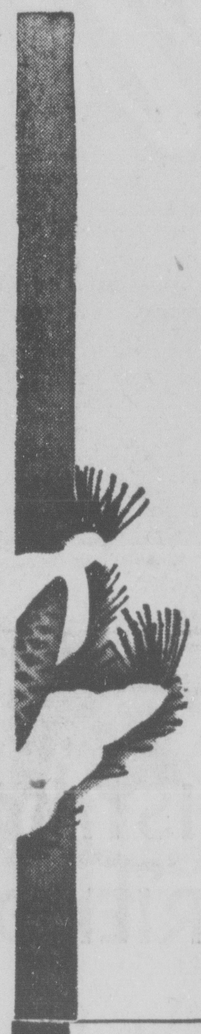
GEORGE DWYER
11 N. Hanover St.



Our Heartiest Well Wishes

Our sincere wish is that this Christmas may be one of dreams come true, a day that will find you truly glad, and the very best that you ever had.

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King and Hanover Sts.



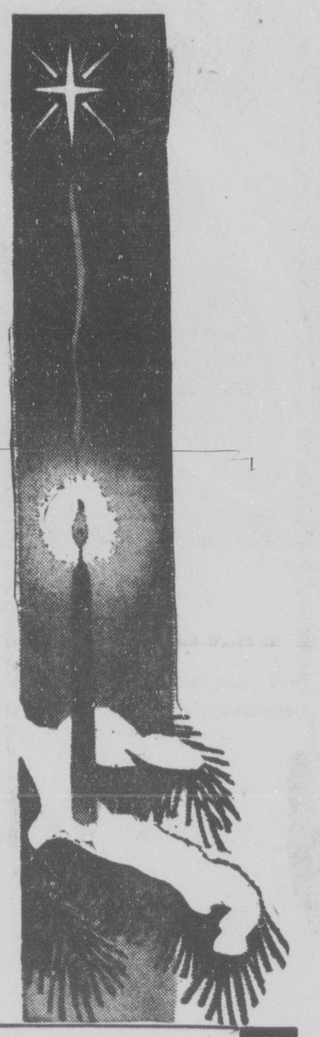
JOYOUS YULETIDE



At Christmastide with its warmth of human feeling, think not of us as a business institution, but as "folks," for it is as such that our entire personnel joins in wishing you a very Merry Christmas with even merrier days to follow.

May we also take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to Our Customers for the liberal patronage we have enjoyed the past year? We have endeavored to serve you—wherever you live — efficiently and promptly — with quality products from our bakery.

It will be our aim in the coming year to adhere to the principles of the founder of this institution who put service to our customers above all else, believing that "he profits most who serves best."



SCHULZ BAKING COMPANY
Bakers of Schulz Maid, Honey Crush
and Vitamin B¹ Breads
Walnut & Warren Sts. Pottstown Phone 912

Happiness to You



Our sincerest hope for a joyous Yuletide season for you.

CHARLES LESSIG, JR.
KEYSTONE STORES
44 W. 3rd St. Phone 1428



"MERRY CHRISTMAS"
and a
"HAPPY NEW YEAR"
From

RED ARROW OIL CO.
128 High St.

Cordial
Christmas Greetings
and all good wishes
for the New Year

KULP'S SERVICE STATION
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HIGH and FRANKLIN STS.



We're here again . . . to wish you the best of everything throughout the Christmas holiday and the New Year!

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AUTO REFINISHING
360 JEFFERSON AVE.



THE SEASON'S GREETINGS and THANK YOU
For Pleasant Business Relations During the Past Year

A. B. SIESHOLTZ
COAL
116 S. Hanover St.



Accept Our Appreciation of Your Patronage During the Past Year

GREAT OAK SPRING WATER CO.
Phone 820



YULETIDE GREETINGS

Because we cannot personally see each of you, we take this way of sending our Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season

Princenthal's
BELL CLEANERS
445 High Street



Merry Christmas

It is not riches or expensive gifts alone that make a Christmas merry . . . but the added simple, familiar wishes of neighbors and friends. So it is that again we raise our voices in the homey, old greeting . . . Merry Christmas . . . to each and everyone!

UNITED FOOD MARKET
and its Personnel
High and York



Merry Christmas



Health, happiness and warm thought—is our Christmas greeting to you.

LEVENGOOD'S GREENHOUSE
STOWE

Season's Greetings



May health, good cheer, happiness be yours this Christmas and forever.

LLOYD LEH'S FOOD STORE
1421 HIGH ST.



May we again express our Yuletide greetings to you and your family.

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148 HIGH ST.



Extending the Season's Greeting to All

BINDER'S DRUG STORE

309 High Street

SEASON'S GREETINGS



Merry Christmas

From

H. RENTZ SMALE

19 N. Hanover St.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Two Words of Greeting Have Behind Them All Our Good Wishes for the Future.

MILLIE'S BARBER SHOP

844 High St.



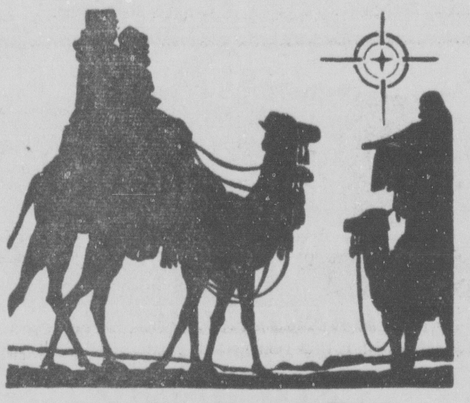
The pealing bells that loudly ring,
A song of Christmas merriment bring,
To cheer the hearts of all who hear . . .
This Yuletide and throughout the year!

CANNING'S

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High and Washington Streets

CHRISTMAS GOOD WISHES



It Is Our Sincere Wish That Your Christmas Be the Happiest Ever and Your New Year a Bounteous One

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Cordial Greetings . . .

Here's to your Christmas bells! They spell out our season's greetings to you—our neighbors.

Bunting's

Over 95 Years at High and Hanover Sts.

May Joy Be Yours

We extend a cordial welcome to you for the Christmas season — and after. Accept our greetings in good cheer.



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Merry Christmas AND *A Happy New Year*

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Home-made and Italian Cooking

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Best Wishes

We have enjoyed your friendship . . .
We appreciate your patronage . . .
And it is with deep sincerity that we convey to you our wish for a
Very Merry Christmas
AND A
Happy New Year

H. KAPPES

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4th and State Sts.



Christmas Greetings

Joyously the Yuletide bells peel their message of happiness to all mankind. Deep resonant chimes echo a prayer for health, and prosperity to the peoples of the earth. As each mellow tone rings forth over the countryside, in every heart there is the hope that Christmas, 1947, will bring a wealth of contentment and everlasting peace to all.



IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME

Season of Joy ◆ Season of Happiness

AS THE CHIMES RING may they bring in a perfect New Year for you, crammed full of Happy Days.

POTTSTOWN FINANCE COMPANY
POTTSTOWN SMALL LOAN CO.
and the
TYSON INSURANCE AGENCY

(Second Floor) 213 HIGH ST.



"Merry Christmas" still rings truer than any other greeting we can extend to you at this time. May every heart's desire be yours.

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A DUAL WISH

May you have a merry Christmas and a joyous New Year filled with love, health and happiness.

ARROW CAMERA SHOP

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GREETINGS

In the Spirit of Christmas — We wish for you all the happiness and good fortune that you could possibly wish for yourself.

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REVIEW OF YEAR IN SPORTS

JANUARY



Trojans and Champions of '44 Get Ready for Benefit Contest

After a brilliant battle against Allentown High school's state champions, Coach Ed Good's Pottstown High Trojans are all set to meet the 1944-45 championship Pottstown High school quintet in a benefit contest Friday night on the junior high palestra.

The proceeds of the game will be used to erect drinking fountains in the memorial park which is to be built in Pottstown honoring the World War II veterans. The ABC is sponoring its second game for this cause and officials are hoping to have a successful turnout. Last year, Abington High school furnished the opposition and the Trojans came out on top by a 44-26 score.

Four players who started for the Trojans in 1944 are sure starters against the Blue and White Friday night. And, if the latest reports are true, the fifth man of that squad will be on the floor when the whistle starts the game.

The fifth man is Big Dick Bender, star center for Ed Good's charges of two years back. Bender was an important man in that lineup and will be one of the Trotown's Canaries is sure of a starting berth and will probably team with Dave Detar at the guard positions.

The four other starters are in fairly good shape and all have been playing some basketball this year. Henry Stofko, onetime high school great, will be on hand to lead the champs against the Blue and White. Chuck Klaus, speedy man of the 1944 five, is ready and rarin' to go as is Doug Breidenbach, the boy who tallied 32 points in an Industrial league game the past week.

The other starter is Jack Fout. Fout is a small lad but is dead on set shots. The little man is now nursing a sprained ankle but hopes to be in the best of shape for the tussle.

Coach Good will probably start the same five men he started against the state champs Manday night. Tom Weber, who is coming along better each game, will be at one forward post while Stan Stolar, a junior, will be Weber's running mate.

At center, Good will have Claude Reinhart, the big burly football star who also holds the school scoring record of 25 points in a single game.

Bobby Martz, the lad who just collected 24 counters against Allentown's biggest headaches Friday if the Army lets him come home in time.

Good can also rely on Bobby Russell, the only senior substitute on the team. Russell is one of the coolest players on the squad and is scheduled to see plenty of action Friday night.

In the preliminary contest, Coach Bill McCabe's Trojans will meet the West Pottsgrove High school varsity quintet. This game will start at 7 o'clock after which the varsity game will follow.

McCab's fast stepping quintet has a record of two victories and three losses and are looking forward to evening up the season's record.

Brower Yerger and Don Ziegler will probably be McCabe's choices to start the tussel at forwards while Howard Kinloch is set to hold down the center's duties. Yerger is a sophomore while Ziegler and Kinlich are juniors.

At the guard positions, Danny Ludwig and Bobby Mauger are almost sure of starting. Ludwig is a letterman from last year while Mauger is a sophomore playing his first year of basketball under McCabe.

New Coach



Reaves Baysinger, for many years a member of the Syracuse University athletic staff, has been named head football coach, succeeding Clarence (Biggie) Munn.

Foul Shooters Fail to Pass Harry Penrose

Harry Penrose clung to the lead in the YMCA foul shooting contest as five more contestants tried their luck but none could top the former University of Pennsylvania athlete's 23 out of 25.

George Mitro tied Stan Swenk for second place with 20 out of 25 while others who shot yesterday tabbed the following scores: James Hawk, 10 for 25; Vic Shanley, 11 for 25; Jack Kurtz, 19 for 25 and Toup Edleman, 19 for 25.

The tournament will be open for the remainder of the week for all who wish to enter and at the end of the week, the six highest scorers will shoot in the finals with the top three in the finals receiving awards.

THIS and THAT

BY

BOB RIEGNER

Just as Christmas comes only once a year, this column also blossoms forth every 365 days with a work of poetry (such as it is) that would warm the heart of a basketball official who had just taken seven straight nights of catcalls.

It must be the holiday spirit that overtakes us at this season of the year and fills our hearts with brotherly love and good will.

For the second consecutive year —when it reaches 12, it will be a classic—we set sail on the stormy sea with good wishes to each and every one of our readers.

POEM

(There may be other names for it).

Merry Christmas, Merry Christmas,
That's all we can say.
Have an enjoyable time,
But don't sleep al lthe day.

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Forget about field goals
And touchdowns and such.
Forget about homers
And the base he didn't touch.

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Forget about crowds,
And a wild pushing mob.
Forget about track stars
And coaches on the job.

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Forget about hurrying,
And about being late.
Just take your time,
If they do close the gate.

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Forget about worrying,
That's for coaches of course.
Forget about the money
You just lost on that horse.

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Forget about everything
That won't make you gay.
But remember to be happy
For today's Christmas Day.

Champion Joe Louis Starts Tour Feb. 5

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—Heavy weight champion Joe Louis will box an exhibition in Mexico City, Feb. 5, possibly against Arturo Godoy of Chile, and is planning on following that appearance with a five-week exhibition tour of Central and South America.

The Mexico City date, for which Louis received an offer of $50,000, originally was scheduled for January but has been set back now.

The tour will end in mid-March and Louis then will return to the U. S. A possible tour of Britain and Europe will depend on what happens on the Southern American trip. Louis also may visit South Africa, Australia and the Philippines.

Miami failed to complete a single pass in ten attempts in the 1946 Orange Bowl game.

HIGH SCORING IS EXPECTED FROM LSU-ARKANSAS

DALLAS, Dec. 24 (AP) — One thing the Cotton Bowl game Jan. 1 between Louisiana State and Arkansas is expected to do is to bring John Barnhill, the drawling mentor of the Ozarks Razorbacks, out of his shell.

No, not to the point that he will predict victory over LSU. Barnhill, so far as known, hasn't yet forecast that his team will win anything. It makes him officially the nation's worst forecaster.

But Arkansas most of the time has been the kind of team content to sit on the ball and let the other side make the mistakes that may be turned into touchdowns.

Louisiana State, however, is a high-scoring outfit that goes after the points from the opening whistle. Barnhill, if he tried his usual waiting game, might find himself in the same situation he faced at Tulsa. The Porkers were 14 points behind before they decided the other side wouldn't make any mistakes and started moving offensively. Arkansas got two touchdowns in about five minutes. But the drive was a little late. Tulsa won 14-13.

Navy Coach Presents Mascot With Autographed Game Ball

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (AP) — Nine-year old Jimmy Carrick, crippled mascot of the Navy Seabees, got himself a football today and Coach Tom Hamilton got a condidate for the 1956 Navy backfield.

Jimmy, "adopted" by the Seabees two years ago, declared himself a future Pistol Pete Williams when Hamilton gave him a white football signed by all members of the 1946 Navy team as well as Secretary of Navy James Forrestal and Admirals Chester Nimitz and Ernest King.

The youngster, who suffered tuberculosis of the spine at the age of two, received the ball on his bed at the Shriners' Hospital, surrounded by a dozen young fellow patients whose eyes were popping almost as much as his own.

"Here," said Hamilton, handing Jimmy the pigskin, "My team wanted you to have this and God bless you."

Jimmy grasped the ball tightly and looked up at the tall, graying Middie coach.

"Gee, thanks. I wish—I wish I could be on your team someday."

"Don't worry about that," boomed Hamilton. "I'm saving a place for you about ten years from now."

The football, Hamilton told Jimmy, was used in one of the Navy games this past season.

"Was it the Army-Navy game," asked Jimmy?

"No," said Hamilton, but how did you like that game?"

"Okay except you didn't win."

Jimmy has been in the Shriners' hospital since last June. His courage under treatment for the disease attracted the attention of several Seabees in 1944 and Jimmy was named "official mascot" of the organization.

Coach McNelly Prepares Eagles For Opening Game With Falcons

Coach Bob McNelly is sending his Royersford Eagles through tough workouts every day preparing for the opening game of the season with West Pottsgrove's Falcons January 3 at West Pottsgrove.

McNelly's charges are hoping to repeat the record registered by last year's team who went through the season undefeated until Bridgeport broke the ice in the playoffs at Norristown.

The Forders are looking for their third consecutive Upper Montco league championship and are sure to give opposing teams plenty of trouble this year.

The league champs will play a full 12 game schedule including 10 league games. The two odd contests will be played with the Spring City Pirates for the Twin Borough title.

The schedule:
Jan. 3—West Pottsgrove, away.
Jan. 7—Pennsburg, away.
Jan. 10—East Greenville, away.
Jan. 17—Collegeville, home.
Jan. 21—Spring City, home.
Jan. 24—Schwenkville, home.
Jan. 31—West Pottsgrove, home.
Feb. 4—Pennsburg, home.
Feb. 7—East Greenville, home.
Feb. 11—Spring City, away.
Feb. 14—Collegeville, away.
Feb. 27—Schwenkville, away.

Area Schools Announce Cage Schedules

Schwenkville and East Greenville High schools have announced their Upper Montco league basketball schedules for the 1947 cage season.

Mike Hader will be back at the helm for the Bluebirds with Clarence Roth taking over the position of head coach of East Greenville after two years in the service.

Ralph Frutchey, who coached the Greenies last year, will be back as assistant to Roth.

Each team meets the five league opponents twice with East Greenville playing away from home the entire season because of repairs which are being made on the Greenies' gym.

East Greenville schedule:
Jan. 7—Schwenkville, away.
Jan. 10—Royersford, away.
Jan. 17—Pennsburg, away.
Jan. 21—Collegeville, away.
Jan. 24—West Pottsgrove, away.
Jan. 31—Collegeville, away.
Feb. 4—Schwenkville, away.
Feb. 7—Royersford, away.
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Feb. 21—West Pottsgrove, away.

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Jan. 3—Pennsburg, home.
Jan. 7—East Greenville, home.
Jan. 10—Collegeville, away.
Jan. 17—West Pottsgrove, home.
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Feb. 14—West Pottsgrove, away.
Feb. 21—Royersford, home.

The purse of the Little Brown Jug, richest harness race for three-year-olds, may be increased to $40,000.

Injury to Jack Kramer Disclosed to Aussies

MELBOURNE, Dec. 24 (AP)—Another surprise package was handed to the Australian Davis Cup team and public today in the disclosure of a minor injury to John (Jake) Kramer, ace of America's cup team which will meet the Australians in the challenge round here Dec. 26-27-28.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Our Holiday wish is that your pockets jingle, your eyes twinkle, your mind be untroubled, your heart be light. That's our Xmas Greeting.

SAM KOURY
TAILOR
Charlotte and Walnut Sts. Pottstown



GREETINGS

May all of the joys of a glorious Christmas be the good fortune of our many friends and patrons.

Warren H. Freed
New Hanover



The Merriest Greetings of the Season

BECHTEL'S SPORTS SHOP
"Sportsmen's True Friend"
157 High St., Pottstown

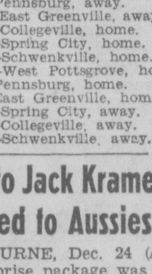


MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR
STAMM & SON
Security Trust Bldg.



May this new Christmas bring you new and greater joys for next year

John M. Johnson
148 High Street
Phone 2763-J



'ALLOW US

to extend to you our most hearty Good Wishes for your happiness at Christmastide and throughout the coming New Year.

GUS MUSANTE
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WE ARE HAPPY TO WISH OUR CUSTOMERS & FRIENDS
Merry Christmas
Happy New Year
SNELL'S SERVICE STORE
GROCER
419 Beech Street

To One and All "Merry Christmas" and "A Happy New Year"

BETZ'S BARBER SHOP
13 S. HANOVER ST.

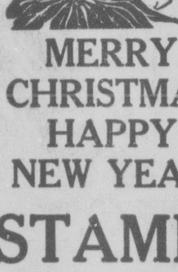


Christmas joy and the holiday spirit of good will is filling every heart with happiness. We want to swell the tide of greetings with our best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

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Closed All Day Christmas

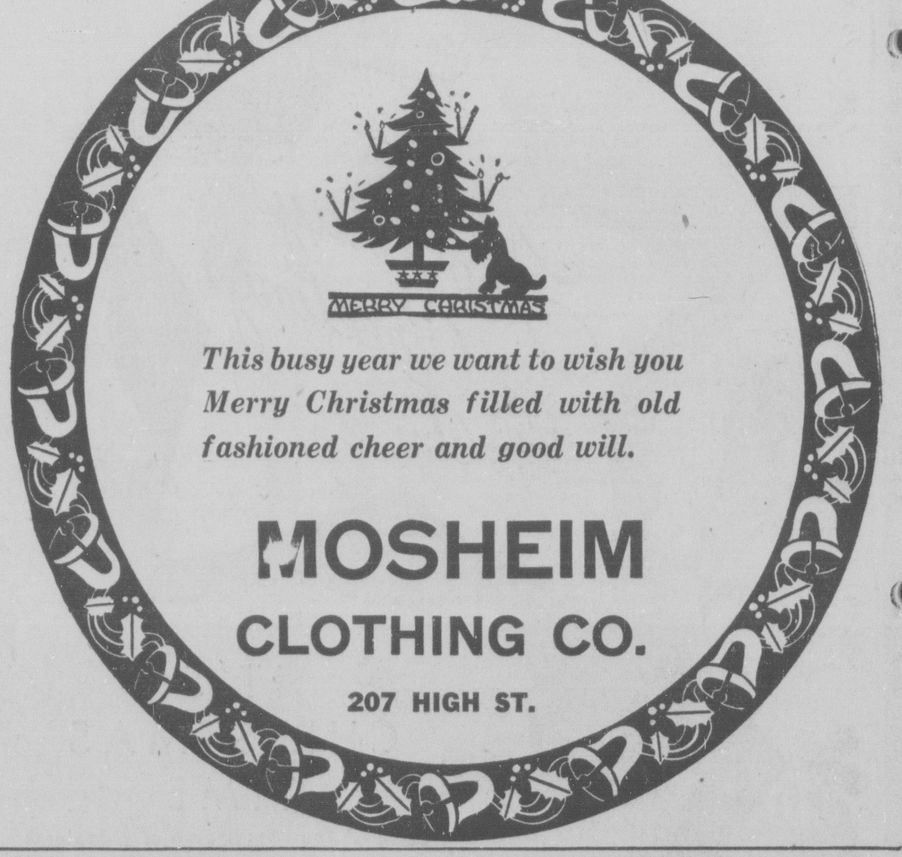
Bright as the star of Bethlehem are our wishes for you and yours this joyful and triumphant Christmas.

LAMB'S HOTEL
TRAPPE



May the true spirit of Christmas permeate all your days for the coming year, Merry Christmas.

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SOUTH AND KEIM STS.



This busy year we want to wish you Merry Christmas filled with old fashioned cheer and good will.

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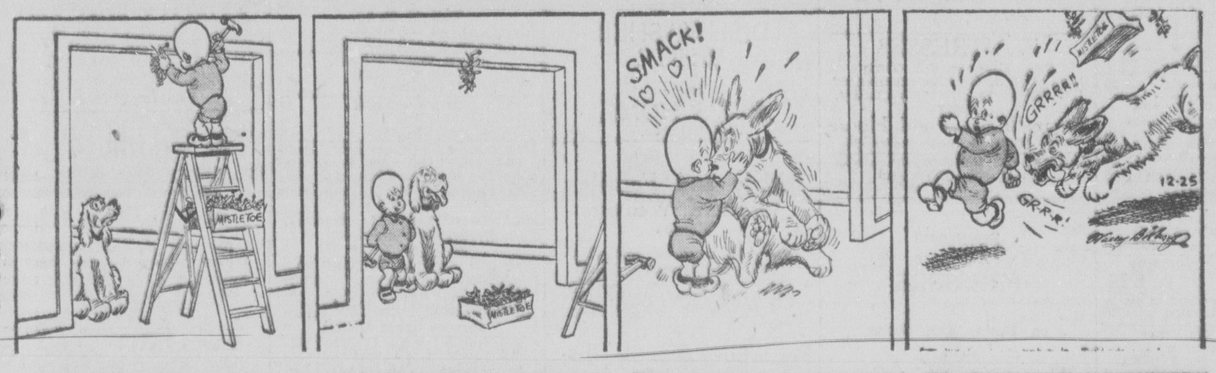
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It's Queer But True



ROOM and BOARD by Gene Ahern



The Old Home Town by Stanley



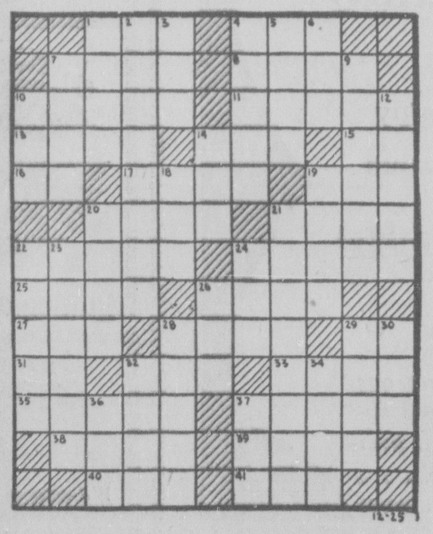
TODAY'S Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Greek letter
4. Mandarin tea
7. Interdict
8. Flees
10. Long for
11. Join
13. Poker stake
14. Question
15. Biblical city
16. Mother
17. Chief
19. Measure (Anam.)
20. Lampoon
21. Poet
22. Avarice
24. A retinue
25. Earth
26. Sum of money
27. Astern
28. Long tooth
29. Exclamation
31. Whether
32. Squeeze
33. River (It.)
35. Ceremonies
37. Dish
38. Affected manners
39. Particle
40. Wages
41. Female sheep

DOWN

1. Fuel
2. Variable
3. Electrified particle
4. Crumple
5. A large piece (colloq.)
6. Cuckoo
7. Vein (L.)
9. Member of royal family (Scot. & Eng.)
10. Sweet potato
12. Corrode
14. Division of a play
18. Free
19. Uttered
20. Dispatched
21. Type of dwelling
22. Egg white
23. Fiber used in basket-making
24. Source of light
26. Cigarette (slang)
28. Finical
29. Species of pillar
30. Garden tool
32. Olympian goddess
34. Value
36. Apex
37. Pastry



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Yesterday's Answer

CRYPTOQUOTE—A cryptogram quotation

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: A CERTAIN PEACE IS BETTER AND SAFER THAN A VICTORY WHICH IS HOPED FOR—LIVY.

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ON THE AIR WEDNESDAY

Hour	KYW NBC 1060 K	WCAU CBS 1210 K	WFIL ABC 560 K	WIP MBS 610 K
MORNING				
8 a.m.	Musical Clock	Marshall Dane	Musical Clock	Mac McGuire
8:15	" "	" "	" "	News
8:30	" "	" "	" "	Eight Bells
8:45	" "	" "	Morning Extra	" "
9 a.m.	Ruth Welles	St. Francis Xavier	Breakfast Club	News; Songs
9:15	" "	Children's	" "	Music
9:30	Daytime Classics	Mass	" "	Shady Valley Folks
9:45	Morning Variety		" "	
10 a.m.	King George	King George	My True Story	Keys to Happiness
10:15	" "	" "	True Story	News
10:30	Road of Life	Strange Romance	Hymns	Say With Music
10:45	Joyce Jordan	Shopping Fun	Listening Post	Hits & Encores
11 a. m.	Fred Waring	Melodies	Breakfast	Xmas Carillon
11:15	" "	N. Hyland, songs	In Hollywood	King's College Choir
11:30	Jack Berch	South America	Home Edition	
11:45	David Harum	Rosemary	Ted Malone	Hymns You Love
AFTERNOON				
12 m.	News	Kate Smith	Kenny Baker	George Putnam
12:15	Lunch Time with a Punch Line	Aunt Jenny	Show	Lobby Parley
12:30	News	Helen Trent	Sleepy Hollow	News
12:45		Our Gal Sunday	News (12:55)	J. J. Anthony
1 p.m.	Melody Magic	Big Sister	David Wills	Mac McGuire
1:15	" "	Ma Perkins	Keyboard Capers	M. Starr orch
1:30	Ruth Welles	Dr. Malone	Anice Ives	Xmas Program
1:45	Aunt Mary	Road of Life	News (1:55)	Schools Sing
2 p.m.	Today's Children	2nd Mrs. Burton	Walter Kiernan	Admiral Byrd
2:15	Woman in White	Perry Mason	Xmas Album	Expedition
2:30	Masquerade	Lone Journey	Bride & Groom	Queen For a Day
2:45	Light of World	Rose of Dreams	" " "	" " "
3 p.m.	Special	News	Ladies Be	Heart's Desire
3:15	Christmas Program	Music You Like	Seated	" "
3:30	"	Christmas Overseas	Xmas Program	News; Melodies
3:45			It's New	Melody Matinee
4 p.m.	Christmas	Holiday Show	I Won't Be Home	Happiness
4:15	Concert	Edgar Bergen	for Xmas	News
4:30	"	Bob Hope	Frank Sinatra	Xmas Music
4:45	"	Others	Dick Tracy	Memory Lane
5 p.m.	When Girl Weds	Holiday Show	Terry & Pirates	Buck Rogers
5:15	Portia's Life	Edgar Bergen	Sky King	Superman
5:30	Just Plain Bill	Bob Hope	Jack Armstrong	Capt Midnight
5:45	Fr'k Page Farrell	Others	Tennessee Jed	Tom Mix
EVENING				
6 p.m.	News; Talk	J. Reeves, news	Magic Lady	6 P M. Extra
6:15	Drama; Music	Sports	Bing Crosby	Johnson Family
6:30	Barry Wood	Music	Tom Moorehead	Sports; News
6:45	Lowell Thomas	R. Trout, news	N Black orch.	Uncle Wip
7 p.m.	Supper Club	Mystery of Week	News	Unseen Advisor
7:15	News	Jack Smith	R. Swing, news	News
7:30	Hollywood Theatre	Ellery Queen	The Lone Ranger; Cowboy Drama	To Veterans
7:45				Inside of Sports
8 p. m.	Dennis Day	Jack Carson	Lum & Abner	Hi Pop
8:15	" "	" "	La Guardia	At Christmas
8:30	Great Gildersleeve	Dr Christian	Fishing and Hunting Club	It's Up to Youth
8:45		News (8:55)		" "
9 p.m.	Duffy's Tavern	Frank Sinatra	Affairs of Ann	Gabriel Heatter
9:15	" "	" "	Scotland	M. Weber orch.
9:30	Mr District Attorney	Dinah Shore	Pot of Gold	What's the Name Of that Song?
9:45		" "	" " "	
10 p.m.	Fabulous Dr. Tweedy	Academy Award Theatre	Bing Crosby	Author Meets The Critics
10:15	" "	" "	" "	News
10:30	Kay Kyser Variety Show	Information Please	Henry Morgan	Night Serenade
10:45			" "	
11 p.m.	News; Caravan	News	News	Come and Dance
11:15	Caravan	Powers Gouraud	Supper Club	" " "
11:30	"	Invitation to Music	Latin Manner	" " "
11:45			Rhythm Makers	" " "
12 p.m.	Caravan; News	News; Orchestra	Sports and News	Bandwagon

WEAVERTOWN

Mrs. Daniel Madeira, corr. Phone Birdsboro 2-4023 Ralph Trainer deliver.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Suloff and family spent a week in Mifflintown, Juniata county visiting relatives.

Miss Jean Smith and Miss Betty Breitenstein have been selected to represent the Amity High school in the All-County band. A concert will be presented in February.

A candlelight service was held in the High school auditorium. Miss Shirley Kessler, music supervisor, was in charge of the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Schenk, State College, visited Mrs. Daniel Maderia.

Schley Kutz and his sons, Albert and Stauffer, Ellsworth Kutz, and Donald McLean Jr., spent several days gunning in Centre county.

FARMER'S DUCKS STOLEN

John Mickanis, farmer of Douglassville RD 1, is mourning the loss of three fine large ducks. He discovered yesterday morning someone had stolen the fowls despite the presence on the farm of a watch dog.

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Pfc. Charles L. Miller Jr., Fort George G. Meade, Md., is spending his Christmas with his wife and daughter, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Mutter, East Greenville, received guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marsteller visited Mrs. Marsteller's mother, Mrs. Missouri Houck and family.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Shane and their son, David, called on Mrs. Shane's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gilbert served their Christmas dinner on Sunday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Yoder, Baily, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Moser and their son, LaVerne, and Myrtle Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Henry entertained visitors over the weekend.

Mr. Calvin Ritter, Philadelphia, returned home. He had spent several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Granville Frey.

The Yoder sisters entertained visitors the past week.

The Christmas festival held in Zion's church Sunday night was featured by a pageant, "Christmas Customs." The play was well-received by the many persons who attended.



Investigation Continues Of Man Found in Auto

Police continued an investigation yesterday in the case of Fred C. Hinton, Pottstown RD 1, who was taken to the Homeopathic hospital Monday night after being found unconscious at the wheel of his car on Bailey street between High and Queen streets.

Police Patrolman Paul Gumpert went to the hospital at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and made a vain attempt to interview Hinton, who remained in a dazed condition.

According to hospital attendants, Hinton did not suffer visible bruises. His car was damaged.

Less than a century ago the number of buffalo on the Great Plains of the United States was much in excess of today's human population in the same area.

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SALLY'S SALLIES



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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AUGUSTINE—On Monday, Dec. 23, 1946. Alexander, husband of the late Julia Augustine, aged 81 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the service in the funeral parlors of Wesley O. Harley, 404 High St. on Monday at 2 p. m. Interment in Pottstown cemetery, West End. Friends may call Sunday evening 7 to 8:30. (Harley)

DETTRA—On Friday, Dec. 20, 1946. Clarence Benjamin Dettra, husband of Marie (nee Wright) Dettra, aged 44 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the service from Houck Funeral Home, 112 N. Washington St., Thursday at 2 p. m. Interment Highland Memorial Park. Friends may call Wednesday evening from 7 to 8:30 p. m. (Houck)

KAPPENSTEIN—On Sunday, Dec. 22, 1946, Edward Jacob Kappenstein, son of Esther (nee Schaefer) and the late Ernest Kappenstein, aged 17 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the funeral from Houck's Funeral Home, 112 N. Washington St., on Friday, at 2 o'clock, p. m. Interment in Mt. Zion cemetery. Friends may call Thursday evening 7 to 8:30. (Houck)

LEISTER—On Monday, Dec. 23, 1946, William H. Leister, husband of the late Elizabeth (Stratton) Leister, aged 89 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the service in the funeral parlors of Wesley O. Harley, 404 High St. on Saturday at 2 p. m. Interment in Mt. Zion cemetery. Friends may call Friday evening 7 to 8:30. (Harley)

SHORT—On Monday, Dec. 23, 1946, Edward O. Short, husband of Elizabeth A. (Fizz) Short, aged 45 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the service in the funeral parlors of Wesley O. Harley, 404 High St., on Friday, at 2 o'clock. Interment in Edgewood cemetery. Friends may call Thursday evening 7 to 8:30. (Harley)

Card of Thanks 2

POLLICK

The family of the late Michael Allen Pollick desires to thank the kind neighbors and friends for the assistance, sympathy, and floral tributes offered during their recent bereavement.

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The family of the late Edwin A. Strunk desires to thank the kind neighbors and friends for the assistance, sympathy, and floral tributes offered during their recent bereavement.

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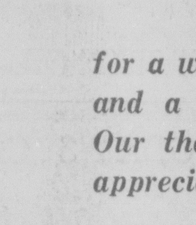


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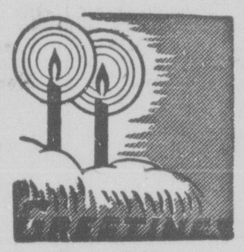


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We want to join the happy chorus to wish you and all your family the Merriest of Christmases!

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To our many patrons and friends we extend our sincere good wishes for continued health and happiness for the holiday season.

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Hearty Good Wishes
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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Good luck, good gun, and may the best of good health be yours from this very Merry Christmas on—is our sincere wish to you.

MARVIN LINDERMAN
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Everyone loves Christmas and we all eagerly wish each other well during this jovial season. To you from us — a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

DONALD DAVIS
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Season's Greetings

The joy, the spirit, the happiness of an old-fashioned Christmas is just about the best wish we know of to extend to you this Christmas season.

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We extend to you every good wish for a joyous Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

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The bells ring gaily this Christmas Day—while our best wishes for the holiday are filled with good cheer for all of our good friends.

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Happy holiday to all. Our sincerest wishes for a Christmas filled with joy—for a New Year filled with happinies, health, prosperity.

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The holiday season presents a pleasant opportunity to express our appreciation of your favors in the past year. May our service prove to be a factor in the prosperity we wish for you during the New Year.

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Merry Christmas

To all our friends and patrons, new and old, whom it has been our pleasure to serve in the past . . . our best wishes for the greatest happiness that the Yuletide Season affords.

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Yuletide Joy

Another Yule log is rolling in . . . and once again cheerful greetings ring around the world. We like the season . . . and most of all we like to say "Merry Christmas to you all."

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Relay of Message Puts Boy Scouts Through the Paces

Stowe Troop 1, following in its series of unusual meeting, Monday night staged a message relay from boy to boy all over most of Stowe.

The five boys were posted around the town at intervals of about three quarters of a mile. The first scout got the message and scout-placed to the next member, who did the same. Scout pacing, scoutmaster, Joseph Landis explained, consists of running 50 paces and walking 50 paces.

At the end of the almost three-mile route over which the message traveled, it was received by Landis "slightly altered," as he put it.

The communication was not of a vital nature. It described the activities of an Indian tribe.

The performance was training for the scouts in message memorizing, Landis pointed out, and also in running.

At next Monday's meeting the active members of the troop will conduct a roundup of boys who have lapsed into inactivity. Each boy will visit delinquent member and urge him to come to the meeting.

They have also laid plans for a patrol hike for Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Eight boys of Scout Troop 18, of St. James Lutheran church, held a Christmas party Monday night in the home of their scoutmaster, Ed Jameson, of 1018 Queen street.

Games were played, gifts were brought and exchanged and refreshments filled up everybody at the close of a delightful evening.

Due to Christmas activities occupying most of the lads of Troop 3, of First Presbyterian church, the troop held a quiet meeting.

Scoutmaster Wayne Diegen plans to go to Valley Forge in the near future to see about obtaining a new charter for the troop which is in the process of reforming.

Although Scout Troop 16, of Transfiguration Lutheran church, did not meet Monday night because it is waiting for its new charter which will transfer them to sponship by the Orioles, the scoutmaster, Leonard H. Donmoyer, announced that the Christmas party would be given for all scouts next Monday night.

Carl Binder Elected To Presidency of Business Club Here

Carl M. Binder, 31-year-old attorney of 234 Prospect street, was elected Monday night to the presidency of the American Business club at that organization's regular meeting in the Elks home.

Binder was elected to the office unopposed along with the other four top officers of the club. He succeeds Gerald C. Wentzel as president.

Other officers elected were: Joseph Hahn, first vice president; John R. Hoffecker, second vice president; Alvin Seybold, secretary and William Hillegas, treasurer.

Elected to the board of governors were: Walter S. Zimmerman, Harold E. Binder, Albert J. Kochel and Walter McCurdy.

Harold Squibb was named chairman of the program committee.

Binder is a lieutenant junior-grade in the Navy, on inactive duty. He served in that capacity in the Pacific war area and had his ship, the U. S. S. Barry, sunk from under him at Okinawa.

A graduate of Pottstown High school, Binder also attended Dickinson college and law school. He married the former Dorothy Gingrich in 1939 and they have a four-year-old daughter, Carol. He is a member of Christ Episcopal church.

A Boy Scout committee was appointed at the meeting. Chairman is Marshall Kauffman. Other members of the committee are Stanley Chaplin, Earl Custer, Leonard Rachild, Allen K. Davidheiser, Donald S. Sands and Alfred G. Widdick.

Next business meeting of the club is scheduled for Jan. 8, when the newly-elected officers will be installed.

Yogi Follower Obeys; Gets Feet Burned Off

BRISBANE, Dec. 24 (AP)—Claiming he had heard the voice of a Yogi commanding him to stand in a fire, Douglas Fredecik Birch, 30, obeyed, and as a result has had both feet amputated.

Birch told police he was a student of Indian Yogi. He said he stood in the fire several minutes, then felt the heat, and stepped out with his feet "cooked." He crawled a quarter of a mile to a main road where a passerby called an ambulance.

Indicating he was over his Yogi obsession, Birch told a friend "I can now see for the first time how silly it was."

Yule Party for Blind Tots



Gathered around a Christmas tree at the New York Institute for the Education of the Blind in the Bronx, sightless youngsters prepare to open their gifts with the aid of a sighted playmate (second from right). For the first time in its 116 years of service, the institute has taken on the training of blind children under five years of age.

Christmas Laughter Fills Bethany Center

For the younger children of the Negro community it was a merry Christmas Eve.

From 6 to 8 o'clock last night more than 100 youngsters, of ages 6 to 13, packed the Bethany Recreation center for the YMCA Extension division's annual Christmas party.

Christmas cheer and children's laughter filled the center for more than two hours. The festive spirit was apparent throughout the hall as gifts were handed out and holiday candies and fruits were munched.

Feature of the entertainment was a one-hour showing of movies by William D. Corum, director of the YMCA extension division. A swimming short and several comedies made up the film program.

Group singing, always a delight to youngsters, rounded out the program. The singing was led by a girls' chorus. Members of the chorus were Yvonne Brown, Vivian Burdan, Leona Hale, Claretta Burdan, Brwindle Glenn, Janie Jeffries, Loretta Glenn and Victoria Nixon.

U. S. Starts Probe Of French Saar Move

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—The United States is inquiring into a French action sending 1200 men into the Saar region of Germany to set up customs controls between that area and the rest of Germany, Lincoln White, State department press officer, said today.

White said the whole question of the Saar and the French action will be examined before any instructions on the matter go to Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, American deputy military governor in Germany.

Dispatches from Berlin yesterday described Clay as dissatisfied with the French move on the ground it was taken without consideration by the Allied Control council in Berlin.

Bonuses Are Given At Employes' Party

More than 500 employes of the Quality Knitting Mills, and their families, attended a huge Christmas party Monday night in the West Pottsgrove High school auditorium.

The party was highlighted by the distribution of $15,700 in bonuses to the employes and management and each check was accompanied by a turkey.

Santa Claus presided in his official capacity over the affair and every child under 12 years of age received a gift of candy and fruit.

A stage show of four acts and an orchestra made the evening sparkle for everyone.

The committees for the gala party were composed of W. C. Becker, P. Grim, B. K. Whitman, C. Daniels, B. Hillegas, F. C. Jones, N. Yocom, S. Axsmith, S. Werstler, Rose Hydu, Martha Antrim, Bernice Meka, Mary Yocom, Catherine Breslawski, Joy Kolb, Pauline Yocom, Isabelle Augustine, Eleanor Colotosti and Anna Colotosti.

SCARES TRAMPS

SYDNEY, Australia, Dec. 24 (AP)—A few miles out of Albury, New South Wales, a cattle man with a sense of humor has put up a large notice "Beware of the agapanthus. Do Not Run." The agapanthus, of course, is a bulb, commonly known as the Star of Bethlehem, but the notice succeeds in scaring away unscholarly tramps.

The hours of labor needed to plant, cultivate and harvest an acre of corn in the United States declined about 59 percent from 1914 to 1945.
lived in caves.

OBITUARIES

ARTHUR R. MILLIGAN, of **69 NORTH EDGEWOOD STREET**, died at home suddenly yesterday at noon after an illness of about three years.

He was the son of the late Elmer and Isabel (Ludwick) Milligan and the husband of Mabel (Freese) Milligan.

His affiliations included the Boyertown Orioles lodge, Empire Hook and Ladder company and St. James Lutheran church. He was a veteran of World War I and belonged to George A. Amole Post No. 47, American Legion.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Arthur Jr., at home, and two sisters, Mrs. Pearl Bechtel, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Beatrice Bongarzone, of Pine Forge.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 112 North Washington street by the Rev. Gustave W. Weber. Burial will be in Edgewood cemetery.

ALEXANDER AUGUSTINE, 81, of **114 LEMON STREET, STOWE**, died Monday night at Homeopathic hospital.

He was a member of Hungarian Reformed church, Stowe, and once had been employed at the Stanley G. Flagg company.

He is survived by three children, Alexander Jr., of California; Joseph, of Connecticut, and Mrs. Helen Plumbley, at home.

The funeral will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral parlor at 404 High street and interment will be made in Pottstown West End cemetery.

Solemn requiem mass for **MICHAEL A. POLLICK**, husband of Mabel (Dellicker) Pollick, of **214 EAST STREET**, was celebrated yesterday morning at 10 o'clock in St. Aloysius Catholic church by the Rev. John F. Campbell, celebrant; the Rev. Thomas J. McCrassen, deacon, and the Rev. William H. McCook, subdeacon.

Interment was private. Services were conducted Monday night by members of the Jednota lodge, of which he was a member.

Bearers were George Pollick, John Pollick, Elmer Pollick, Joseph Pollick, Paul Pollick and George Ruyak.

ELIZABETH A. GREEN, 77, of **SHENKEL**, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Earl Kulp, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock after being in ill health for some time.

Surviving her are four daughters, Mrs. William Yocom, of Pottstown Landing, Mrs. Ray Yocom, of Douglassville, Mrs. Earl Kulp, of Shenkel, and Mrs. W. E. Henderson, of Douglassville; 14 grand children and 13 great grandchildren; and one brother, George Geiger, of Trenton, N.J.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Temple church with interment in the adjoining cemetery.

CHARLES BUCKWALTER, 82, a retired farmer of **PUGHTOWN**, died at his home yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. He had been bedfast for the past two weeks.

He had lived in the vicinity of Pughtown for the past 50 years after moving here from Phoenixville. He was a farmer all his life.

He was the son of the late John Henry and Anne Jane (Baker) Buckwalter and the husband of the late Mary Z. (Neilor) Buckwalter.

He belonged to the Pughtown Baptist church.

Surviving him are a son, Samuel, at home; one grandchild and three great grandchildren; and two brothers, Samuel, of Phoenixville, and James, of Connecticut.

The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a Parkerford funeral home by the Rev. Charles Jared. Burial will be made in Morris cemetery, Phoenixville.

The funeral of **HARRY WELSH**, son of James and Emily May (Rogers) of Chestnut and Penn streets, was held yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from a funeral home at 112 North Washington street, by the Rev. Gustav W. Weber.

Interment was made in Edgewood cemetery. Bearers were Russel Garber, Gordon Sminkey, Henry Boyer, Kenneth Hoover, Harold Whitman and Laverne Wolf, all members of Mr. Welsh's orchestra.

Funeral services for **WILLIAM H. LEISTER**, of **823 QUEEN STREET**, who died Monday afternoon at the Pottstown hospital, will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from a funeral home at 404 High street.

Interment will be in Mt. Zion cemetery.

Vets Will Get Houses Through Point System

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP)—Emergency housing will be allocated among veterans in New Brunswick, N. J., on a point system. Ten different classifications of hardship will be used, including credits for each child or other dependent, for those facing eviction from their current residences, and for veteran's disability and low income. Points will be given also for husbands and wives now forced to live apart because of the housing shortage.

Similar point systems have been devised to aid allocation of emergency housing in Los Angeles, St. Louis, New York and other cities.

AS YE SOW, YE REAP

FAIRLAND, Ind., Dec. 24 (AP)—Nobody worked harder than Parson James W. Cox when Brandywine Methodists harvested 2000 bushels of corn from a 40-acre farm the church rented. Fairland merchants chipped in with farming supplies at cost or free. And a local buyer paid a premium rate of $1.25 a bushel for the crop.

HOT WEATHER IN MEXICO

NOGALES, Sonora, Mexico, Dec. 24 (AP)—It'll be a white hot Christmas for inhabitants of the fertile produce growing region of northern Sinaloa. La Gaceta, Guaymas newspaper, reported today that lowland centers near Culiacan are sweltering in 100-degree heat.

Hospitalized Veterans To Get Yule Gifts

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (AP)—The Veterans administration said today veterans who are patients in private and Government - operated hospitals will be remembered tomorrow by VA special units and volunteer organizations.

Gifts will be distributed to hospitalized veterans at Coatesville, Aspinwall and Butler VA hospitals in Pennsylvania.

Approximately 800 disabled veterans undergoing medical care in private hospitals in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware also will be remembered, VA reported.

Always cook poultry at moderate heat so the meat will be juicy, tender and evenly done to the bone.



The bells ring out joyfully our message to you this Christmas. May it be the merriest, happiest, most wonderful Christmas you've ever had—may the New Year see your hopes and prayers fulfilled.

PUGHTOWN SERVICE STATION

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We're not too old to believe in Santa Claus—because he's the symbol of benevolence and generosity! In his name we say "Merry Christmas."

FAT'S
Atlantic Service Station
High and Price Sts.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We appreciate your patronage and hope to please you always.

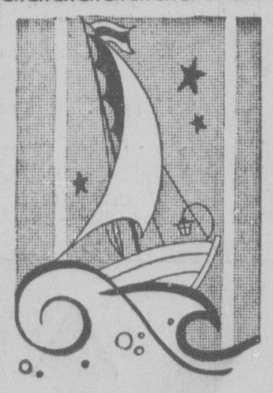
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Christmas Greetings to Patrons and Friends

WE WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY TODAY

In order that our employes may have the full benefit of Christmas Day.

CRYSTAL RESTAURANT
149 HIGH ST.
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Never a Christmas morning
Never the old year ends
But somebody thinks of somebody
Old days, old times, old friends

KELLER'S
Patent Medicine Store
3rd and Johnson Sts.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



CHRISTMAS JOY To You and Yours

Believe the hearty sincerity of this little greeting at the holiday season.

F. Y. SHANER
15 South York Street

YULETIDE GREETINGS



A lantern of good cheer and the light of fine fellowship to you this Christmas.

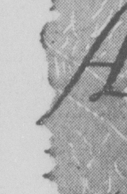
Reading Foundry and Supply Co.
110 S. Madison St.



Our heartiest good wishes to you this Christmas as the stars in the heaven and the stars in our flag unite for everlasting peace.

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and
Happy New Year



To all Our Friends A Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year

Pottstown Hosiery Shop., Inc.
14 North Hanover Street



ALL THE WORLD STOPS AT CHRISTMAS TIME — And as we stop in the midst of the season of good cheer our hearts grow tender as we are carried back in thought to the reality of Christmas Day, and what it means. In sincerity, we greet you and wish you a delightful holiday season.

MARIA S. S. ASSUNTA LODGE
371 CHERRY ST.

May cheerful wreaths decorate your every deed. Here's good cheer for a happy Christmas



Jas. E. Christman & Son
St. Clair Building—High and Hanover Streets